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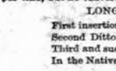
STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, & CALCUTTA.



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (*Limited*), under contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above, with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam ship HIMALAYA, 1,341 tons, 250 H.P., Commander J. H. Atkinson, will be despatched on the 13th September 1870, at noon.

	Sept.		Sept.
Leave Bombay	13	Leave Galle	20
,, Carwar	14	,, Negapatam	23
,, Mangalore	15	,, Madras	26
,, Cannanore	16	,, Coconada	28
,, Calicut	16	,, Vizagapatam	29
,, Beypore	16	,, Bimlipatam	29
,, Cochin	17	,, Gopalpore	30
,, Tuticorin	18	Arrive Calcutta	Oct. 2
,, Colombo	19		

This route is the most expeditious and economical for passengers for the Neilgherry district, Bangalore and Madras who can land at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route picking up the Steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited) under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching a. Kurrachee, Guadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Bushire, Fao, Mahomerah, and Bussorah.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the Weekly Service from England, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every Saturday at 4 P.M.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. Cottier, will be despatched on the 10th September 1870, at 4 P.M.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL).

THE Steam Navigation Company of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO and Co. of GENOA, will despatch, on the 15th of each month, one of their four New Steamers, viz. :—

INDIA	Capt. Dodero	2,000 Tons
ASIA	Capt. ———	2,000 Tons
PERSIA	Capt. Crocco	2,000 Tons
ARABIA	Capt. Buzzolino	2,000 Tons

FROM BOMBAY TO GENOA

calling at ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA, MESSINA, NAPLES, and LEGHORN.

These Steamers, especially built for Passenger Traffic and fitted out with elegance, and comfort, offer superior accommodation to 1st, 2nd and 3rd class Passengers.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	£15	———	Without Food.
,, Suez	36	22	———	8
,, Port Said	38	24	———	9
,, Alexandria	39	25	———	9–10
,, Messina	45	32	———	12
,, Naples	47	33	———	13
,, Leghorn	50	34	———	14
,, Genoa	50	34	———	14
,, Marseilles with transhipment at Genoa	52	35	———	14-10

Including Wines.

Children under 3 years, free of charge.

Children not above 10 years, half fare.

Passengers are allowed to break their voyage at any of the Above-named Mediterranean Ports, and to resume it by any of the Company's Steamers to the port of destination marked on their Tickets.

Passengers returning within 6 months of their departure from Bombay by the Steamers of the Company are entitled to a reduction of 20 per cent. on the Return Fare.

Berths may be secured in advance by depositing half the Passage Money.

In accordance with the above, the s. s. ASIA will be despatched to Genoa on the 15th October next.

For prospectus, rates of freight and further particulars apply to

VOLKART BROTHERS,

Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 17th August 1870.

NEW OVERLAND ROUTE

(*via* SUEZ CANAL.)

DIRECT SERVICE BETWEEN BOMBAY and MARSEILLES, touching at ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA (in case of need), and MARSEILLES.

LA COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.—MARC FRAISSINET PERE and FILS will DESPATCH STEAMERS MONTHLY from BOMBAY to MARSEILLES, *via* the SUEZ CANAL.

Freight.—The Company undertake to grant through Bills of Lading for the above, and from other Continental Ports and also to Liverpool. They have further made arrangements to forward Cotton at a through rate from Bombay to the principal towns in France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, and Spain.

Freight on Goods shipped to Europe to be payable at destination.

INSURANCE may be effected on very moderate terms, under the Company's Floating Policy, on goods shipped to the Continent by their own Steamers. Premiums of Insurance from Bombay to Marseilles 1 per cent.

The undersigned are further prepared to receive Merchandize from np-country, and to forward same to any part of Europe.

PASSENGER RATES.

(Inclusive of Wines, and all Transit Fees through the Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.	
To Aden	£ 25	£ 15	£ 5	Without food.
,, Suez	£ 40	£ 22-10	£ 8	
,, Port Said	£ 42	£ 24	£ 9	
,, Marseilles	£ 56	£ 36	£ 14	

Children over three and under ten years of age, half fare.

The Company issue Return Tickets available for six months, deducting 20 per cent from the Outward Passage.

The Steamers carry both Doctor and Stewardess.

Departures from Marseilles on the 1st and from Bombay about the 7th of each month.

In accordance with the above, the s. s. BYZANTIN, 700 Tons, Captain Candolle, will be despatched on or about the 7th October next.

For further particulars, rates of Freight, &c., apply to

KUNKLER, PREISWERCK, & Co., Agents.

Elphinstone Circle, 7th September 1870.

THE BYCULLA STUDIO will be CLOSED during the Rains from THIS DATE, and will open in East Street, Poona.

W. G. STRETTON.

Bombay, 1st June 1870.

DAILY MARKET PRICE CURRENT.

PUBLISHED by the MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.

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The announcements may be in English or in any of the Native languages.

The advantages which Railway Stations present as a means of bringing intimations of all kinds before the public have been demonstrated in England by the extensive use which is made by Advertisers, of every station, great and small, along every line in the United Kingdom.

Insurance Companies, Shipping Companies, Hotel-keepers, Merchants, Traders, and others who wish to force their business on the notice of the public, all alike value the privlege of Railway Station Advertising.

There is no reason why the privilege should not be also specially valuable to Advertisers in India. Looking to the great and increasing number of Native Railway passengers on the two trunk lines of Western India, native merchants, traders, &c., seem to think that they have the privilege of advertising in their own language, would find the publication of their announcements at Railway Stations a decided means of extending their business.

Placards, according to the taste of Advertisers, may be printed at the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

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Terms of Advertising may be learned on application to the Manager "Bombay Gazette" Press.

"Bombay Gazette" Press, 1870.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND FREIGHT ROUTE VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Bombay and Bengal Steam Ship Company, take cargo to Liverpool, London, and Havre, via the Canal.

Rates of Fare for Passengers.

To Liverpool via Suez Canal—1st class £50; 2nd class £35.
To Suez—1st class £40; 2nd class £22 10s.
To Trieste (exclusive of Transit)—1st class £53; 2nd class £34.
} Exclusive of Wines.

For Freight or Passage apply to Messrs. Stephen, Kennard & Co., London; Messrs. Tod, Kennard & Co., Liverpool; Messrs. Tod, Rathborne & Co., Alexandria; or to the undersigned in Bombay.

STEARNS, HOBART, & Co.

Bombay, 8th June 1870.

OVERLAND PASSENGERS.

Gentlemen proceeding Home will find all that is requisite in the following detailed list; the Goods being made specially for the passage and Home wear :—

REQUIREMENTS.

½	Dozen Silk and Wool Shirts.	1	Rug with straps.
½	,, Under Vests.	1	Maud.
2	,, Linen Collars.	1	Inverness Cape.
1	,, Fine Cotton Socks.	1	Hand Portmanteau.
½	,, Fine Merino Socks.	2	Overland Trunks.
1	,, Fine Merino Drawers.	1	Clothes Bag.
½	,, Colored Handkerchiefs.	1	Travelling Hat.
½	,, White Cambric.	1	Courier Bag.
1	Overland Suit.	1	Easy Chair.
2	Sleeping Suits.	1	Umbrella.
2	Pairs of Kid Gloves.	1	Pair of Brushes.
6	Scarfs and Ties.		Ladies' Overland Trunks.

Return Fares.—First class Passengers embarking from India by the P. and O. Co.'s Steamer within six months of their arrival from England, and *vice versa*, will be allowed a reduction of 20 per cent. on the Return Passage Money.

Bombay. BADHAM & Co., Apollo House.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT and COMPANY.

No. 5, Forbes Street.

WEEKLY SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 10th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their rooms, a large quantity of grey and coloured piece goods, such as grey shirtings, T cloths, madapollams, &c.

L B C— 469 & 567—2 cases 200 pieces white jaconets 20 yds. 40 inches			L 75.
Ditto— 473 & 511—2 ditto	ditto	ditto	L 85.
Ditto— 477 & 515—2 ditto	ditto	ditto	L 95.
Ditto— 481 & 519—2 ditto	ditto	ditto	L 105.
Ditto— 485 & 523—2 ditto	ditto	ditto	L 115.
Ditto— 489 & 527—2 ditto	ditto	ditto	L 125.
S B F —2221-3 —3 ditto	300 pieces white mulls 20 yards 40 inches.		
Ditto—2344-6 —3 ditto	120 pieces each fine Sacharilla book muslins 12 yards 45 inches.		
Ditto—2376 —1 ditto	150 pieces each mull jubilli cords 10 yards 40 inches.		
Ditto—2400 —1 ditto	120 ditto white Bishop's lawn.		

At 1 P.M.

A handsome flea-bitten grey Arab horse, quiet, sound, a perfect pigsticker, goes well in harness, and carries a Lady.

AUCTION SALE OF COAL.

On SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 3 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Victoria Boucher, Colaba, on account of the concerned—

About 200 tons of North Wales Main Coals.

NOTICE.

TO PRINTERS, STATIONERS, PAPER DEALERS, AND OTHERS.

AUCTION SALE OF PRINTING AND WRITING PAPERS.

Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their rooms, on SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 2 P.M. (if a suitable offer be not previously made), the following quantities of the undernoted excellent and useful PAPERS, viz.,

1000 reams double foolscap, 24 by 15½, about 12 lbs.
150 ditto machine-made demy, laid fat, 20 by 15½, 23½ lbs.
150 ditto double foolscap, blue, 26½ by 17, 25½ lbs.
100 ditto creamlaid overland note-paper.
80 ditto coloured demy 24½ by 18, 14 lbs.

Samples may be inspected at Messrs. Bennett & Co.'s Office.

AUCTION SALE OF NEW MALVERN DOG CARTS, &c.

On SATURDAY, the 10th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by public auction, at their rooms, on account and risk of Bomanjee Dossabhoy, Commission Agent,

2 new first-class English-built Malvern dog-carts, with lancewood shafts, patent axles, lamps, &c., complete by Windower.

1	case superior holly buggy whips.		
1	do. do.	Chamois leathers.	
1	do. do.	harness liquid.	
6	sets of do.	buggy harness.	

Also,

On account of whom it may concern—

1	new first-class English-built circular glass fronted miniature brougham, by Argentine Company.		
1	do. do.	malthaching, by ditto	
1	do. do.	do. Buggy, by Bennett and Botwood.	

AUCTION SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY.

On TUESDAY the 13th instant, at 4 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction, on the premises, by order of Shaik Mahomed bin Gulam Mohadin Kolsekyer, the Mortgagee, and on account and at the risk of Mohaidin Khan bin Mahomed Alikhan the mortgagor the following landed property viz.:—All that piece or parcel of land or Government ground, with the message, tenement, or dwelling house built thereon, situate, lying, and being without the Fort of Bombay, at Bunder Mohalla or Mahomed Bowa Khanday Street, registered in the Books of the Collector of Rent and Ground Rent, under No. 1,444, assessed by the Collector of Assessments under No. 44, containing by admeasurement 85 5/9 square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded as follows: that is to say on or towards the east by sweepers bagat, on or towards the south by Bungar-e Molla or Mahomed Bowa Khanday Street, on or towards the north by the house of Mamon Abba Dada. and on or towards the south by the house of Khuby Abba Joomia.

AUCTION SALE of HANDSOME HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PLATED GLASS and PORCELAINWARE, &c., at CUMBALLA.

On WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by public auction, at his residence, at Cumballa, the undermentioned place, the handsome household furniture, plated glass and porcelainware, &c., the property of A. J. Kinloch, Esq.

Full particulars will be given hereafter.

No Catalogues and the property will be on view 3 days before the day of sale.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 8th September 1870.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR KURRACHEE.

THE first-class Steamer BYZANTIN, Captain Candolle, will be despatched on or about the 15th instant. For Treasure, Freight, and Passage apply to KUNKLER, PREISWERCK & Co.

to Elphinstone Circle.

NOTICE.—Consignees of CARGO per Ship SALADIN, arrived from London, are requested to DESPATCH BOATS at once to take DELIVERY, otherwise the same will be landed and warehoused, without further intimation, at the risk and expense of the concerned.

Captain Rankin will not be responsible for the condition of any package after it leaves the ship's deck.

BLAY & MACKINTOSH,
Agents for Captain Rankin.

Bombay, 7th September 1870.

BOMBAY, BARODA, and CENTRAL INDIA RAILWAY.—BANDORA FEAST.—On SUNDAY next the 11th instant, ADDITIONAL TRAINS will be RUN between the Marine Lines and Bandora and Intermediate Stations. For particulars see Advertisements at Stations.

J. R. DUXBURY,
Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 6th September 1870.

NOTICE.—The undermentioned Banks will be CLOSED on MONDAY the 19th, to THURSDAY the 22nd instant (both days inclusive), for the PAPETI and the PARSEE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS :—

For the Oriental Bank Corporation,
J. F. MOIR, Agent.

For the Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,
ROBT. CAMPBELL, Agent.

For the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China,
JAMES SIMPSON, Agent.

For the Comptoir D'Escompte de Paris,
E. J. HARDCASTLE, Manager.

For the National Bank of India (Limited),
JAMES WINDRAM, Manager.

For the Agra Bank (Limited),
EDWARD MORRISS, Manager.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
R. STEVENSON, Agent.

Bombay, 7th September 1870.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the PARTNERSHIP formerly carried on between JEHANGIERJEE FRAMJEE JUSSAWALLA and the late JAMSETJEE COWASJEE JUSSAWALLA, in Bombay and elsewhere, under the Names and Styles of JEHANGIER JUSSERWANJEE & Co. and JEHANGIER & Co., was FINALLY DISSOLVED by mutual consent on the 3rd day of November 1869. The business of the said Firms will continue to be carried on as follows :—At Bombay, Lahore, Meean Meer, Scalkote, Delhi, Ferozepoor and Jullunder, by Cowasjee Jamsetjee, Dhunjeebhoy Jamsetjee and Buttonjee Jamsetjee—in Bombay in the name of Jamsetjee Cowasjee's Sons, and elsewhere under the name of Jamsetjee's Sons. And at Bombay, Kurrachee, Sukkur, Mooltan, Peshawur, Rawul And at Bombay, Kurrachee, Sukkur, Mooltan, Peshawur, Rawul Pindee and Murree Hills, by Jehangier Framjee—In Bombay under the name of Jehangier Framjee & Co., and elsewhere as Jehangier & Co. The Outstandings of the late Firm in Bombay will be received by Jamsetjee Coovverjee's Sons only. The debts of the Bombay Firm will be paid by Jehangier Framjee and Jamsetjee Coovverjee's Executors. All other Claims against the said Firms are to be made, and all debts due to the said Firms are to be paid to the continuing Firms respectively.—Dated this 7th day of September 1870.

JEHANGIER FRAMJEE,
COWASJEE JAMSETJEE JUSSAWALLA,
DHUNJEEBHOY JAMSETJEE JUSSAWALLA, by his Constituted Attorney,
Cowasjee Jamsetjee Jussawalla,
RUTTONJEE JAMSETJEE JUSSAWALLA,
} Sons and Executors of the late Jamsetjee Coovverjee Jussawalla.

TO LET, shortly, a GROUND FLOOR and FOUR STORIES of a HOUSE in Apollo Street, opposite the Secretariat, which can be inspected daily from 10 to 4 P.M. For further information apply to the Owner (on the First Storey of the house occupied by Messrs. THOMSON & Co., Chemists and Druggists) on MONDAY and THURSDAY, between the hours of 4 and 5 P.M.

The Ground Floor is well adapted for Offices, Show-room or Godown. Each Storey can be let separately at Rs. 250 a month.

PERFUMERY,

A fresh supply of the delightful

ESSENCES FOR THE HANDKERCHIEF,

manufactured by

WARRICK FRERES, NICE.

Comprehending

Frangipanni,	Marechale,	Portugal,
Geranium,	Millefleurs,	Reine des Alpes,
Heliotrope,	Mousseline,	Rose,
Jasmin,	Patchouli,	Violet,
	unequalled for	

STRENGTH, PERMANENCE, AND FRAGRANCE.

		Cash.	Credit.
		Rs. as.	Rs. as.
Bottles of ½ Imperial Pint, each	...	2 12	3 0
Do. Do.	per dozen	30 0	33 0

TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WATSON AND SONS.

TENTH ADVERTISEMENT.

HAT DEPARTMENT.

BOYS' SOFT, FELT HATS, Nearly indestructable and most comfortable for Children.

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 18⅞ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 19¼ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 19⅝ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 20 inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 20½ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 18⅞ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 19¼ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 19⅝ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 20 inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 20½ inch,...Rs. 2

BOYS' BLACK FELT, with blue band and buckle.

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 18⅞ inch, ..Rs. 2

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 19¼ inch,..Rs. 2 8

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 19⅝ inch,..Rs. 2 8

BOYS' BLACK FELT, size 20 inch...Rs. 2 8

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BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 20 inch...Rs. 2 8

BOYS' DRAB FELT, size 20½ inch,..Rs. 2 8

BOYS' STIFF FELT HATS.

BOYS' BLACK OXFORD, size 18½ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' BLACK OXFORD, size 19¼ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' BLACK OXFORD, size 19⅝ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' BLACK OXFORD, size 20 inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' BLACK OXFORD, size 20½ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' DRAB OXFORD, size 18½ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' DRAB OXFORD, size 19¼ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' DRAB OXFORD, size 19⅝ inch,.....Rs. 2 8

BOYS' DRAB OXFORD, size 20 inch,.....Rs. 2 8

WATSON AND SONS,

CORNER OF RAMPART ROW.

NOTICES.

GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS AT THE BROACH AND AKOLA EXHIBITIONS 1868.

GOLD KEYLESS HUNTERS and SEMI-HUNTERS, Plain or Engine-turned Cases. Rs. 225.

FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

LADY'S small GOLD HUNTERS, Enamelled and Jewelled Cases. Rs. 150.

FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

SILVER KEYLESS HUNTERS, 1st quality, Patent Lever, extra finished. Rs. 100.

FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

SILVER HUNTERS, Patent Lever, 3/4 plate, in strong good Silver Cases, Engine-turned, very serviceable, warranted for two years. Rs. 50.

The same Watch, Keyless. Rs. 70.

FAVRE, LEUBA, & Co.

OFFICE CLOCKS, Patent Lever, Octagon or Round, imitation Walnut, 8-days, with Bell. Rs. 25.

FAVRE, LEUBA & Co.

GEORGE NICOLL AND Co.,

BOOT AND SHOE MAKERS,

24, MEADOW STREET, BOMBAY.

1, EAST STREET, POONA.

ELPHINSTONE STREET, KURRACHEE.

P. GRANT and SON, SADDLERS, &c., have commenced business again at No. 9 Hummum Street, where all orders will be attended to.

Orders from Out-stations to be accompanied with remittance or reference for payment in Bombay.

WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY,

No. 9, MARINE STREET.

WENHAM LAKE ICE on SALE, wholesale and retail.

Pass Books for Monthly Credit Accounts available.

Particular attention paid to the execution of out-station orders.

Orders from out-stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

Orders by Telegraph should mention Bombay reference.

TOBACCO on SALE at the WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 9, Marine Street, Fort.

GOLDEN ORANGE HONEY DEW, 1 to 5 lbs., Rs. 1-8 per lb., 20 lbs. and upwards Re. 1 per lb.

VIRGINIA PLUM, 1 to 5 lbs. Re. 1 per lb.; 20 lbs. and upwards 14 annas per pound.

Orders from Out-Stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

SUNDRY ARTICLES of American Import on SALE at the WENHAM LAKE ICE COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 9, Marine Street, Fort.

Kerosine Oil—best refined.		
900 Ash oars, 9 to 18 feet long	5 as. per foot.	
100 barrels Navy Bread, 8,703 lbs.	Rs. 10 per cwt.	
Flatform Scales, weighing 1,200 lbs.	,, 125 each.	
Do. ,, 800 ,,	,, 100 ,,	
American Union Scales	,, 30 ,,	
Cheap Tea Scales, 8 lbs.	,, 15 ,,	
,, ,,	,, 10 ,,	
Post-office Scales, ½ oz.	,, 10 ,,	
Preserved Lobsters, 1 lb. tins	,, 6 per doz.	
Do. Oysters, ,,	,, 6 ,,	
Condensed Milk ,,	,, 12 ,,	
American Cheese	,, 1 per lb.	

Orders from Out-Stations must be accompanied by Cash or reference for payment in Bombay.

KEROSINE OIL STREET LAMPS.—The undersigned have in stock a large supply of Victoria and Washington Street Lamps, as well as the internal parts of Victoria Street Lamps, which can be used in any ordinary Street lantern

The Victoria or Washington Street Lamps are in extensive use in Bombay, throughout the Presidency, and in the Native States. They are adapted for Verandahs, Gardens, or any out-door lighting where a lamp is required that neither wind nor rain affects.

Orders from Out-Stations must be accompanied by Cashor reference for payment in Bombay.

FARNHAM & Co.

WHITMORE'S COMPOUND LINIMENT OF ARNICA.—A Specific for the cure of Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, Sprains, Contusions, Weakness of the Joints, Chilblains, &c. It is also an excellent remedy as a stimulating application to the surface of the Chest and Back in Bronchitis, Inflammation of the Lungs, Pulmonary Consumption, and Hooping Cough. When the Liver is inactive, rubbed over it, its stimulating properties have a beneficial effect, and in all cases where counter-irritation is desirable, it will be found invaluable. In bottles, small, medium and large.

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NOTICES.

ALL PERSONS who may have PAID PREMIUM to the ex Directors of the BOMBAY BRANCH of the ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY (in Liquidation) are requested to apply for REFUND of the same forthwith.

This Notice does not apply to Premium paid on Policies effected in the Indian Laudable and Mutual Assurance Society and Oriental Life Insurance Company.

C. H. OGBOURNE,
Attorney for the Official Liquidators.

Calcutta, 5th August 1870.

COMPAGNIE LYONNAISE D'ASSURANCES MARITIMES—LYONS.—The undersigned having been appointed AGENTS of the above-mentioned MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY are now prepared to accept Risks and grant Policies on every kind of Produce, either by Steamer or by Sailing Vessel to any Port.

All risks accepted by the Compagnie Lyonnaise d'Assurances Maritimes are participated in equally by the following old-established French Companies, viz. :—

Le Lloyd Francais, established 33 years.
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Bombay, 19th April 1870. GADDUM & Co.

RE DAVID LAUCHLAN, DECEASED.—PURSUANT to Act XXVIII of 1866 of the Legislative Council of India, entitled, "The Trustee's and Mortgagee's Powers Act 1866," NOTICE is hereby given, that all persons being Creditors of, or otherwise having Claims upon or against the Estate of DAVID LAUCHLAN, formerly of No. 7 Spencer Villas, Saint James' Road, Croydon, but late of No. 3 Elgin Villas, Elgin Road, Addiscombe, Croydon, in the County of Surrey, deceased, who died at Elgin-place aforesaid on the 30th day of October 1869, and Letters of Administration of whose personal Estate and Effects (with the Exemplification of the Probate of the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, issued out of the Principal Registry of Her Majesty's Court of Probate in England, annexed,) were on the 13th day of August 187 granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, to HENRY RENDALL CORMACK, of Bombay, British merchant, a Partner in Firm of Messrs Sir Charles Forbes & Co., and one of the Constituted Attorneys of Mary Anne Lauchlan, widow, the relict, the sole Executrix named in the last Will and Testament of the said David Lauchlan, deceased, are required on or before the 17th day of September 1870 to send to Messrs RIMINGTON, HORE and LANGLEY, of Bombay, Proctors for the said Administrator, the particulars of their Claim upon or against the said Estate, and that at the expiration of such time the Administrator will hand over the whole of the Assets of the said deceased to the said Mary Anne Lauchlan, as such Executrix as aforesaid, having regard to the Claims of which he shall then have notice. ALL PERSONS INDEBTED to the said Estate, or having property of the deceased in their hands, are hereby required forthwith to pay or account for said debts or property to the said Administrator.—Dated this 17th day of August 1870.

RIMINGTON, HORE, & LANGLEY,
Applicant's Proctors.

TENDERS will be received by the Superintendent of Marine up to 1 P.M. on Monday next, the 12th instant, from parties wishing to supply STEAM TONNAGE for the conveyance from Cannanore to Hongkong of the 13th Regiment Native Infantry, of the strength as per margin, and bringing back the 29th Regiment from Hongkong to Bombay (strength similar more or less to the former Regiment).

8 European Commissioned Officers
913 Non-Commissioned Rank and File.
90 Public and Private Followers.
6 Horses.
} Natives.

2. The Vessels taken up will be required to be docked if necessary and proceed hence to Cannanore to embark the Troops.

3. The Masters or Agents of Vessels tendering are requested to state when their respective Vessels will be ready to leave this for Cannanore.

4. Tenders should specify the rate (a lump sum) at which the above duty could be performed, or the charge for each non-commissioned rank and file, public and private follower or horse with or without provisions coals, fittings, &c.

5. It will be optional with Government to find provisions, fittings, coal, and such additional water tanks as may be necessary, but it will be compulsory that all water tanks on board the Vessel in excess will be made available for the use of the Troops, and it should be stated in the Tenders to what extent this accommodation will be afforded.

6. If it will be decided by Government that the Agents or Masters of Vessels tendering will be required to supply provisions, such provisions will be subject to the usual survey.

7. Vessels taken to be out and such cabin fittings, &c., removed from the 'tween decks (as may be recommended by the Committee of Survey) and afterwards replaced solely at the expense of the Owners.

8. The Agent for Transports will furnish any further necessary information for parties tendering.

9. The expense attending stamp fees affixed to Charter-parties (as well as to Receipts (of Vessels taken up) to be borne by the Owners or Masters tendering.

10. The Superintendent of Marine reserves to himself the right of declining any tender without assigning cause for so doing.

11. The words "Tender for Troops" should be superscribed on the Cover.

By order of the Superintendent of Marine,
GEO. INGLE, Secretary.

Superintendent's Office, Bombay, 5th September 1870.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

At a large MEETING of POLICYHOLDERS of the ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY and its ASSOCIATED OFFICES to-day, Mr. JAMES THOMSON in the Chair, the following RESOLUTIONS were adopted :—

1. "That the Policyholders approve and accept the scheme of reconstruction prepared by the Committee of Policyholders, Annuitants, and Shareholders in the Albert Life Assurance Company, and now submitted to the Meeting, subject to such modifications as may be found expedient, and be sanctioned by the Court of Chancery."

2. "That this Meeting earnestly impress upon the Policyholders the importance of sending in their individual assents to the scheme as early as possible, so as to strengthen the hands of the Committee in carrying the same into effect."

3. "That the Policyholders consider it desirable and agree to pay the premiums on their respective Policies to an account to be opened at the Bank of England and the Agra Bank, Limited, in the names of Messrs. Thomson, Bell, and Major-General Cunningham, three of the Members of the Committee of Policyholders, Annuitants, and Shareholders in the Albert Life Assurance Company; the premiums to be returned, in case the Scheme of Reconstruction should not be carried out, without deduction of any kind."—*Times*, 29th April 1870.

The AGRA BANK, Limited, is PREPARED to RECEIVE PREMIA on Policies in the above Company, in terms of the foregoing Resolutions.

EDWARD MORRISS,
Manager, Bombay Branch.

Bombay, 1st June 1870.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited).

The following are the DATES of SAILING of this Company's Steamers :—

FROM CALCUTTA.

For CHITTAGONG and AKYAB, 5th and 19th August, and nd, 16th, and 30th September.

For AKYAB, RANGOON and MOULMEIN, 10th and 24th August, and 7th and 21st September.

For RANGOON and MOULMEIN, 3rd 17th and 31st August, and 14th and 28th September.

For STRAITS, calling at Rangoon and Moulmein, 17th August, and 14th September.

For PORT BLAIR and CAMORTA, 5th August, and 2nd and 30th September.

For BOMBAY, calling at Gopaulpore, Bimlipatam, Vizagapatam, Coconada, Madras, Negapatam, Galle, Colombo, Tuticorin, Cochin, or Narrakel, (and weather permitting Beypore, Calicut, Cannanore and Mangalore,) and Carwar, 9th and 23rd August, and 6th and 20th September.

FROM BOMBAY.

For CALCUTTA, calling at the same ports as the Steamers from Calcutta for Bombay, 2nd, 16th, and 30th

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

CALCUTTA.

(From Toolmin & Co.'s Weekly Circular, Sept. 3.)

Exchange on London has again further declined another 1/16d. during the week, and the tendency is still downwards. The other day the Government with its usual incapacity for the economical management of money, paid £1,9 0 to bring some specie from Madras to Calcutta; most likely it will be ordered back again to Madras at a cost of £2,0 0, under an impression that money ought not to be kept idle:—this is only an example of the manner in which public money is squandered in this country, hence the reason why the people are goaded to insubordination by an income tax of 3¼ per cent.

Freights have again sustained a further slight decline, and owing to the approach of the annual Doorga Pooja holidays, which will commence on the 20th instant, rates may possibly be worse before they are better, as loading ships will make an effort to sail away before the holidays. Great doubts are expressed regarding the success of the steamer traffic via Suez Canal; the all-important question if £2-10 to £3-10 per ton is a remunerative rate still remains unanswered, and in the meantime both ship and steamers are opposing each other apparently to their mutual loss and perhaps ruin. Interested parties of course condemn the Canal, but to the disinterested on-looker there can be but little doubt that the Canal must be made a success, and that it will in a few short years entirely revolutionize the shipping trade between China, India and Europe. The disengaged tonnage in Port has decreased during the week from 28 to 30,000 tons; but there are 24 ships at sea for this destination over 100 days out from home.

Indigo.—Accounts from home are far from satisfactory, and if the war continues much longer the crop of last season must be sold off in Europe at a very serious loss to shippers. Such a misfortune would of course re-bound with full force upon the interests of planters in this country, for if exporters drop money on the shipments of last season, it is but natural for them to operate with greater caution in the coming season, especially so since the supply is expected to exceed 10,000 maunds, an ample quantity for the consumption of the world if taken in connection with the present stock in London, viz., 18,60 chests. The latest authorities on the subject of the coming crop don't alter their estimates of the out-turn for season 1870-71, which is given at 105 to 110,000 Factory maunds, still it must not be forgotten that the very identical authorities made a mistake in their last year's estimates of 12,000 maunds.

Bengal Cotton.—The market continues quite inactive; transactions being neither entered into for Europe nor China. Fair Bengal cannot be laid down in London under 7½d.

Light Gunny Cloth for Indian Cotton Bales.—With a view to extend the consumption of this cloth, the price has been reduced to 1¼ and 1½ per yard, and cotton shippers in Bombay, Burmah, and the Coast should note this, while manufacturers should spare no efforts to introduce the article into America. Sooner or later, light Gunny Cloth must be adopted in the United States.

Gunny Bags for export continue in fair demand both for ready and forward delivery, and some important transactions have been entered into during the week. This is but the beginning of a wholesome business arising out of the oft-noticed light shipments to Bombay, the Coast, and the Straits during the past six months. Enquiries are being made for the Rice Ports and manufacturers have named rates at which they are willing to sell forward, and considering the high cost of Jute and the present uncertainty as to the future of prices, it cannot be said that the quotations are unreasonable, in point of fact if the present local demand for power-loom bags becomes an established trade, it is quite on the cards that prices of bags may rule very high during the incoming rice season. The local demand has continued fairly active at last week's prices in fact the rates now current for power-loom bags are about as low as they can possibly go, while for native hand-loom descriptions prices are still high, and the quality is very irregular, indeed the native loom bag never before seems to be so inferior as they have been for the past three months. This leaf trade in power-loom gunnies has become very important during the past six months, and its future success will be secured if ships in port are prohibited from using hooks in stowing cargo, and the Chamber of Commerce would do well to pass an order to this effect as soon as possible. Its European the use of hooks in stowing cargo is strictly prohibited by a clause to that effect put in the Charter Party.

MILITARY.

ARRIVAL.—September 7.

Calhusac, Lieutenant-Colonel, 21st Regiment N. I. or Marine Battalion, to rejoin, from Poona.

DEPARTURES.—September 7.

Campbell, Surgeon, Medical Staff, on sick leave, to England.
Barnard, Lieutenant, Rifle Brigade, on duty, to England.
Wilkinson, Major, 16th Lancers, to rejoin, to Poona.
Gordon, Lieutenant, 3rd Regiment Sind Horse, on sick leave, to England.
Smith, Captain, 2nd Punjaub N.I., on medical certificate, to England.

SHIPPING.

DEPARTURES.

Sept.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
7	Columbian (s)	Stewart	Aden and Suez.
	Moorhill	Stirling	Galle.

The ship Florence, Houston, to Calcutta, obtained her port clearance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday—
Steamer Byzantine, to Kurrachee.
Steamer Rangoon, to Aden and Suez.
Ship Flora, to Cochin.

MADRAS.

Sept. ARRIVAL.
1 Simla (s) ..... Woolcott ..... Calcutta.
Sept. DEPARTURE.
2 Simla (s) ..... Woolcott ..... Suez.

THE COMMITTEE for the RELIEF of the SUFFERERS in the EUROPEAN WAR will be happy to receive CONTRIBUTIONS.

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THE WAR-TELEGRAMS

Will be published to-day, on receipt, at the *Bombay Gazette* Office.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[The charge for notifying a domestic occurrence is one rupee, and the announcement must be authenticated.]

BOMBAY.

MARRIAGES.

EZRA—SASSOON—September 6th, at Poona, in the Synagogue, by the Rev. Myer S. Gindli, assisted by the Reverend Mackloof Isaac and Moses Mazza, Elias D. J. Ezra, Esq., of Calcutta, to Mazelle, youngest daughter of the Hon'ble A. D. Sassoon, C.S.I.—No cards.

SINCLAIR—HAMILTON—September 1st, at Christ Church, Simla, by the Rev. C. J. Waterhouse, M.A., Edward M. Sinclair, Esq., M. D., Surgeon Royal Artillery, to Annie Catherine, second daughter of Andrew Hamilton, Esq., Raglan Road, Dublin.

MADRAS.

BIRTH.

SKIPWITH—August 29th, at Nagpore, Central Provinces, the wife of G. T. Skipwith, Esq., Royal Engineers, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

SMITH—MAITLAND—August 31st, at St. Matthias' Church, by the Rev. A. Seymour, George Humphrey Smith, Esq., youngest son of the late Major Henry Smith, Ceylon Rifles, to Julia Virginia Maitland, relict of the late Charles William Maitland, Esq., Sub-Engineer, D. P. W.

SLOAN—MANDEITH—At St. Thomas' Church, St. Thome, by the Rev. C. E. Kennett, W. Sloan, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to Leila Frances Mandeville, daughter of the late Lieutenant Colonel C. Mandeith of the Madras Army.

NORTH-WEST PROVINCES, &c.

BIRTHS.

LEONARD—August 26th, at Allahabad, the wife of Mr. Joseph Leonard, Locomotive Department, E. I. R., of a daughter.

KAYE—August 30th, at Bareilly, the wife of W. Kaye, C.S., of a daughter.

WILSON—August 30th, at Nynee Tal, the wife of Mr. A. B. Wilson, of a son.

DEATHS.

HAWLEY—September 2nd, at Cawnpore, W. F. B. Hawley, son of Major Hawley, 1st Battalion 14th Regiment, aged 3 months.

McATRINSON—August 30th, at Moolton, Arthur Edward Stanley, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. H. McAtkinson, aged 7 months.

NOTICE.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1870.

...rmer occasions we have quoted M. Paradol and the Duke Albert de Broglie in order to show the views which moderate Frenchmen took of the relations between Germany and France and the general bearing of the French towards the rest of the Continent. We showed from their writings, especially valuable, because the most moderate, that they regarded France as having a sort of inherent right to surround herself, if she could, with a *cheinture* of weak states, partly to furnish an area in which battles might be fought, but mainly to ensure the best chance of exercising a preponderant influence in Continental politics. We have now another witness, M. Charles de Mazade, who in the *Revue des Deux Mondes* performs the functions so inimitably performed by Eugene Forcade in former days. M. de Mazade is essentially a man who strives to walk along the golden mean, and who aims at impartiality. He is, therefore, a witness as unexceptionable as M. Paradol or the Duke de Broglie. M. Thiers, of course, would always afford us a stronger case, so far as extravagance of statement goes, but not so useful because not so measured.

What says the writer of the *Chronique de la Quinzaine* for the last half of July? We will not discuss with him the immediate causes of the war, nor weigh against each other the moral characters of Bismarck and Napoleon III. It is admitted, even by this writer, that the conflict was certain to ensue at some time; but the immediate causes are less important than the permanent causes, since the first are the pretexts of quarrel, the second are the real motive powers which brought about the shock of armies. It is more practical to enquire why the combustion was inevitable, than to investigate the moral chemistry of the sparks which lighted the flame. And here we have great assistance from M. de Mazade. He dwells, as all have done, on the rapidity with which the two nations passed from peace to war; and that rapidity is no slight evidence of the readiness to fight on both sides. But why was there such aptitude? Why was the commotion electrical on both sides of the Rhine? Our witness speaks what he calls the *vérité des choses*; and what is this verity? Not the candidature of the Prince of Hohenzollern;—that was an incident which, taken alone, was nothing, which would have vanished after a little dust and smoke. "It is the radical situation of Prussia which," he avers, "has been for four years a permanent provocation to France." Here for Prussia we should read Germany. By their own confession the French would not resent the aggrandizement of Prussia within what they call proper limits; what they resent is that Germany should be united, because the unity of Germany is the death of French pretension to reign supreme. The whole French *pretext* for intervention in Germany was that Prussia thought of only one thing—securing her supremacy by annexation, assimilation, conquest. M. de Bismarck has truly said, that the French do not or will not understand that without the people the king could do nothing. The unification of Germany is a national movement to which Prussia furnished the *modus operandi*. The people were in favour of unity, and the fallacy of all French reasoning on the subject is that the reasoners write Prussia when they should write Germany. The real reason for French hatred of German unity is, that Germany will no longer be a field for intrigue or for warfare. M. de Mazade says that Bismarck overlooked one danger—he forgot that one day he would have to encounter the sword's point of France. But that is exactly what he did not forget. He knew, better than most, the extent of French pretension; and that it went the length of saying, that Germans should not be *allowed* to constitute herself as she pleased. All the acts, since Sadowa, performed by the Prussian government to create a German government, have been declared to be challenges to France. Every precaution taken to prevent Germany from being again, what she had been for hundreds of years, a divided house in which a French court was certain to find an ally, not among the people, but in the palace of some petty and ambitious prince, was construed to mean a defiance of France. The Germans knew that some day they would have to fight for the inherent right they possess to manage their own affairs, and prevent their house from being a French cockpit, and they, south as well as North, Republicans as well as believers in right divine, determined each one to do his utmost in order to settle this question once for all, and say, "You shall neither have the Rhine, nor will we submit to live in apprehension of invasion, nor shall you interfere in our affairs." The permanent provocation to war was the attitude, were the sentiments, was the perpetual talk of the French people. And the reason why the war was inevitable was simply this—that the German nation had determined to be for the future independent, and the French nation had equally determined to interfere on a fit occasion, and impose its own law upon the German people. The French have held doctrines propounded by no other power; and it was quite time that the question of their assumed right to preside over the internal conditions of states, should be disputed and decided. The war has disputed it; the war has decided it; and if the French people can learn wisdom from defeat, as readily as they learn unwisdom from victory, Europe will be satisfied and France will be content.

There is one passage in the *Chronique* of M. de Mazade, a passage intended to describe Bismarck, which has such a close application to another public performer, that we quote it entire, and will not spoil it by translation. "M. de Bismarck aime les coups de théâtre, et toutes les fois qu'il a pu les renouveler, il l'a fait, sans s'apercevoir que ces procédés peuvent avoir un succès apparent et momentané, mais qu'ils tournent bientôt contre celui qui les emploie. Toute sa politique, il l'a mise dans la force et dans l'astuce déguisées sous cet entrain de gentilhomme sans scrupules qui se croit tout permis pour réussir, qui est toujours prêt à jouer la destinée de son pays comme sa propre destinée dans une aventure. De tous les hommes d'état qui ont eu un nom dans notre temps, c'est assurément le plus révolutionnaire dans le mauvais sens, et plus que jamais c'est encore une question de savoir s'il aura été un politique supérieur ou un aventurier, s'il a servi son pays ou s'il ne lui a pas préparé quelque effroyable désastre." Alas; written for M. de Bismarck, is it not far more applicable to the *late* Emperor Napoleon III? Does it not describe him exactly, down to the very last phrase?

The services of Lieut. H. Melliss, 2nd Wing Subaltern 4th N. I., having been placed at the disposal of Government for employment in the Commissariat Department, that officer has been attached to that department until further orders.

Col. J. S. Kemball, Staff Corps, commandant H. M.'s 24th Regiment N. I., has been allowed furlough to Europe for two years on medical certificate, under rule 9th of the furlough regulations of 1868.

Assistant Surgeon J. Robb, M.B., of the Bombay Medical Establishment, has been granted furlough to Europe for twenty months on medical certificate, under rule 15 of the furlough regulations of 1868.

The services of Captain G. Battiscombe, R.A., have been placed at the disposal of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief for regimental duty.

Colonel Keatinge has accepted the Colonelcy of the Nagpore Volunteer Rifle Corps.

We acknowledge receipt of the Annual Statement of the Trade and Navigation of the Presidency of Bombay for the year 1869-70.

The proposed branch lines of railway to Oomrawuttee and the coal-fields in the Woon district will be taken in hand immediately after the rains.

The detachment of the 45th Foot now at Palaveram will proceed to Madras to join its head quarters at Fort Saint George on Wednesday the 7th instant.

We are sorry to learn from the Nagpore paper that Mrs. Keatinge is obliged by ill health to go to England immediately. She is to leave this week. Colonel Keatinge will probably accompany her as far as Bombay.

A case of some public interest, and having reference to the murder, during the mutiny of 1857, of Mr. Boilard, a merchant of Allahabad, is now pending in the Magistrate's court at that station. Many new and interesting details are likely to be elicited.

A "Bombay Government Gazette Extraordinary," issued yesterday, publishes the further proclamation of neutrality dated the 9th August. This proclamation quotes the provisions regarding "illegal enlistment" and "illegal shipbuilding and illegal expeditions" from an Act passed in the present year "to regulate the conduct of Her Majesty's subjects during the existence of hostilities between foreign States with which Her Majesty is at peace," and enjoins a strict observance of those provisions.

The final links of the Trunk Railway system are, says the "Pioneer," being rapidly supplied. In the course of the present month, the Madras Railway will open to the Toongabuddra river, and by the close of the year, the Great Indian Peninsula Railway will be extended to the banks of the Kistna. In March 1871, the two lines will meet at Raichore, and railway communication between Calcutta, Bombay and Madras will then be complete and without a break, except at the Kistna. The bridge over this river will consist of thirty-seven spans of 100 feet each, and can hardly be finished before 1872 73. The Toongabuddra bridge, which is nearly finished, has fifty-eight spans of 70 feet each.

Luckimpore, in Oudh, experienced last week one of the heaviest falls of rain that has ever been recorded there. At four o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday the 31st ult. a thunder-cloud, which had been long threatening, broke with extraordinary violence over the station, rain fell in torrents, accompanied by lightning and terrific peals of thunder, and at 5 o'clock on the following morning the rain-guage registered a fall of fifteen inches in the preceding fourteen hours. During the night several ranges of bazar buildings fell in, burying their inmates, nine of whom were killed and twenty others extricated with various hurts. A great number of cattle and poultry were destroyed by falling buildings and the flood of water. At eleven o'clock in the morning of the 1st, the bazar, as also parts of the station, was knee-deep in mud and water.

"The accounts from the Indigo districts are," says the "Pioneer" of the 5th, "to the effect that there has been too much rain everywhere during the past week. In Bhaugulpore it has been exceedingly heavy, and the yield of the plant has consequently fallen very considerably. In Tirhoot and Chumparun it has been heavier than could be wished. In Chuprah all appears to be going on satisfactorily. Torrents of rain in the Benares districts are also complained of, the roads having in consequence become almost impassable for carts, and manufacturing operations have been therefore checked.

"As regards tea, the accounts have been unfavourable from Cachar, where very heavy rain has fallen, completely flooding some of the low lying lands. Blight also has made its appearance (a not unusual thing after excessive rain) and caused much harm in some gardens in the Hylacandy Valley. From Assam, and also from Darjeeling, fine weather is reported, and these districts promise to produce tea of a very fine quality this season."

A correspondent who has obligingly sent us the translation of an interesting account of the battle of Saarbruck from the "Cologne Gazette" of the 12th August, remarks that "there is no doubt the battle was decided by the numerical superiority of the Prussians, especially in artillery, but it is well worth to observe how the Prussians use this arm now and the principal example of it is the two guns which were brought up the hill and placed in front of it, a daring act, which might have cost them the loss of these guns, but as it was, helped a great deal towards the success of the day. Why the French gave up the Winterburg and the parade ground as first line of defence, and why they had no guns on the top of the hill, I can't comprehend, as also their not having more troops at hand to sustain such a strong position. On the other hand, it appears that the Prussians had made no dispositions at all. I suppose having heard of the victories of the Crown Prince, they thought to do likewise."

THE INCOMING MAIL.

The Delhi with the Bombay mails left Aden for Bombay on the 2nd instant at 10 P.M.

THE SUFFERERS FROM THE WAR.

We draw attention to an advertisement in another column intimating that subscriptions in aid of the sufferers from the War will be received by the Committee whom we named yesterday. To such an appeal we are sure the response will be prompt and generous.

THE INCOME TAX PETITION.

Signatures are still being taken to the petition against the Income Tax. The document is to be despatched on Saturday, however, and it is therefore necessary that any gentlemen who have yet to sign should do so on Friday at the latest. Sheets for signatures still lie at the Chamber of Commerce, the Asiatic Society's Rooms, the newspaper offices, &c.

THE BATTLE OF SAARBRUCK.

(TRANSLATED FROM THE COLOGNE GAZETTE OF AUG. 12.)

SAARBRUCK, Saturday, 6th Aug., Night.

By telegram you would receive this evening a short account of the bloody battle which was fought to-day on the Spicherer hill, the hill I have mentioned so often before. It is impossible a few hours after such a severely contested battle, the last moments of which were lost in the darkness of night, to give a detailed description of it, especially as we had no intention to fight the enemy here to-day. The battle was quite an unexpected one. Since we had left the town of Saarbruck, we had ceased to "feel" the enemy, with the exception of the 69th Regiment, which had occupied the suburb of St. Johann. On my return to Saarbruck to-day I heard that the French troops had never occupied the town, and had only entered it for the purpose of getting provisions. General Fossard had entered the town after our departure to enquire of the Mayor about the behaviour of his troops, and on some complaints being preferred to him, he had forbidden his soldiers to enter the town except in company of a non-commissioned officer; but all the excesses of the French soldiers, said to have committed, I found consisted in some soldiers having drunk a pint of beer too much in the evening, and refused to pay for the same. I also found the report that the town had been incorporated with France by proclamation an unfounded one; the fact indeed was that the French troops, simply for strategical reasons, had taken possession of the heights of the Winterberg and the parade ground. It was not the intention of General Von Moltke, as was well known, to contest the possession of this open town, at least not until the advance and concentration of our army in front of the Nahe valley was complete; or in other words, no serious engagements were to be entered into until our troops had arrived in such numbers as to be able to fight the enemy with success. During the last few days this huge advance and concentration of our troops along the whole line had been completed, and as a necessary consequence of it, our advanced parties had been pressed to this front, till the leading files reached Saarbruck again. As I have reported before, the French troops had left their entrenched positions on the Winterberg and the parade ground, and as towards noon to-day the advanced files of the 1st and 2nd Army Corps arrived, they found these positions unoccupied. In long thin lines these leading files arrived, without having the slightest idea of the enormous force of the enemy which their eyes would behold such a short time afterwards. At the commencement therefore the fighting was quite insignificant, but it became soon clear to everybody that the enemy held in great force the forests in front of them, and that the work before them would be to take the formidable positions of the enemy on the Spicherer hill opposite the Winter hill. Orderlies were sent back to the troops in rear to hurry them on in their march in order to give assistance. These troops, already tired out by several days' marching, arrived by battalions, fatigued by a five or six hours march, at the battle ground; in spite of that the fighting was taken up by our troops with a true inspiration and with a bravery which had to stand a severe trial indeed. The French troops had established their batteries on the slopes of the hill, and these were throwing shot and shell into our few battalions. General Von Goeben of the 8th Army Corps arriving, took the command. Immense is the confidence the troops place in this officer, and concentrating all the slowly arriving troops, he ordered a general attack, and with a tremendous losses, in spite of shells and mitrailleuses and Chassepot bullets, these slopes were taken by our brave troops and the enemy thrown back to the summit of the hill; but it was a bloody piece of work, and the number of wounded brought into the town is a sure proof of this. It was a heartrending sight to see how women and maids participated in the sorrows of the wounded, to see them offer them their arms and shoulders for support to lead them back into the town, and to watch their indefatigable exertions to carry refreshments to the wounded to mitigate their sufferings. The citizens of the town vied with each other in carrying the wounded off the battle field, and in the hospitals tried to do all in their power to show their gratitude to the men who had risked their lives for them. The same was to be seen on the plateau over which the ambulance waggons carried the wounded from off the battle field. Women running up to these waggons, climbed up to give a refreshing drink to the wounded and to nurse them. In the meantime the battle raged on the Spicherer hill with uninterrupted vigour, the roll of needle guns and Chassepot volleys was incessant, and the dark lines of the fighting battalions stood out in relief on the gray colour of the hill. Down below on the plain raged the artillery combat. Our guns had taken a position opposite the enemy's batteries, and, after tremendous firing with shot and shell, at last succeeded in silencing their guns. If I am not mistaken, it was about 4 o'clock that our first two guns were brought up upon the hill on the left side. From this position I witnessed the battle. The atmosphere became so thick with smoke, that I had often difficulty to make out the lines of the enemy's battalions, the incessant firing from their Chassepots making it impossible to distinguish the men. There was no pause in this firing, and minute by minute more victims became the combat. Our cavalry charged several times and with some success; opposite on the plateau, which slopes downwards, several hostile batteries took position, and from down below some of our batteries fired with success. But our troops were far inferior in number to those of the enemy, who, according to my calculation, had now some twenty to thirty thousand men engaged. Continually bringing fresh troops to the front, after we had succeeded in throwing him back, we had in our turn to fall back again. But at last our reserves appeared on the top of the Winterberg; in double quick time they came down the hill, and climbed up the heights to come to our assistance. At the same time fresh batteries increased our artillery in the plain, and our two guns on the top of the hill made tremendous havoc amongst the enemy. About seven o'clock the enemy was at last thrown back to the summit of the hill, but reinforced by fresh troops he again came to the front to contest the ground we had gained. Thus the battle stood for half an hour; at last at about 8 o'clock the enemy gave up the summit of the hill. More of our reserves—infantry, cavalry, and artillery—had come up the heights, and, thus forced, the enemy gave up the battle field and retreated towards Forbach. Not less serious and bloody was the fighting on our right wing, where some battalions of the 77th and 33rd Regiments succeeded, after tremendous losses, in repulsing the enemy to the village of Stiering. The artillery ceased firing at about a quarter past eight. I hurried over to the Winterberg to observe from there the retreat of the enemy, who retired under constant firing towards Forbach, but darkness came on and put a stop to any further fighting. Ours is the victory, and it would have been more decisive had we not been obliged to fight for six hours with only a few battalions. Everybody is prepared to find that with the early dawn tomorrow the battle will be resumed. Every battalion has received orders to bivouac on the ground where it stood at the finish of the battle, and to be prepared for an attack from the enemy.

Both armies rest under a beautiful star-light heaven. Everywhere on the heights are the fires of their bivouacs. It is a wonderfully beautiful sight, but at the same time it appears to me to be a fearful tragedy, for the battles which will be fought here will be the most bloody history has ever recorded. I repeat it is impossible to give you more than a hurried report of to-day's battle at present, as now at midnight it is still impossible to fix the details of it; besides, this town is anything but a favorable place in which to write a report, being more like a tumultuous camp than a town. Moreover, we are looking forward with anxiety for the break of morning and for another eventful, and to many, perhaps, a fatal day.

7th August, Morning.

The description of the battle which I wrote last night, I find, coincides with the details which I have been able to gather this morning on the field of battle.

Please accept the following as a true description of the battle. Certainly it is deficient, in interesting details, but to describe the participation of each part of the army, and at the same time to pay attention to the general movements, is an impossible task. The engaged in the battle were: of the 7th Army Corps, the 14th Division with 11 battalions, 4 batteries, and one regiment of Hussars; of the 8th Army Corps, the 40th Regiment, 2 batteries and 3 squadrons of Hussars; of the 3rd Corps, 5 battalions of the 12th and 8th Regiments and No. 3 Rifle Battalion, whose commander received a bullet in the chest. The Reserves stood at the foot of the Spicherer hill. We have some hundreds of prisoners; these belong to six different regiments of Frossard's corps. The 14th Division attacked the enemy towards noon along the whole front, but in doing so was obliged to divide its forces, as they had to advance in two directions; consequently they were greatly outnumbered by the enemy, and were therefore unable to attack the enemy with success. At 3 o'clock assistance came, in two batteries of the 8th Army Corps, and also the 40th Regiment, and from St. Arnual the first battalions of the 3rd Army Corps. Up to this moment General Von Kamcke had commanded the troops, but General Von Goeben arriving at this time took over the command, and concentrating all the troops of the 40th Regiment and the battalions from the 3rd Army Corps, directed the whole against the right wing of the enemy, which was posted in the forest on the east side of the Spicherer hill.

Our troops entered this forest, and, in spite of the desperate resistance of the enemy and the tremendous fire of the Chassepots that met them, they succeeded in taking it, and penetrating it they debouched out of it on the other side and appeared now on the heights. Here the battle commenced in real earnest. Three times the enemy received fresh troops from Forbach, and with his force so increased attacked our soldiers; again and again these repulsed him. On our left wing in the meantime the enemy coming down the hills charged the two battalions of the 3rd Corps which were stationed here, but these succeeded in keeping their position. After the forest on the Spicherer heights had been taken by our troops, a battery was immediately advanced in front of it, and with the assistance of this battery the repeated attacks of the enemy were successfully repulsed, but the conflict here became more sanguinary minute by minute, the roll of volleys was incessant, mitrailleuses were directed against our troops, and several times we were severely pressed, but in spite of mitrailleuses and Chassepots our troops advanced again and again victoriously. Our right wing had in the meantime to fight equally hard. The five battalions of the 14th Division forming it succeeded in advancing under a tremendous fire from the enemy up to the village of Stiering, but they were unable to sustain their advantage here and were losing ground, until at last towards evening General Von Kamcke arriving and placing himself in front of the troops led them on again with such vigour that the enemy were successfully repulsed and had to enter the village of Stiering for protection. The last support of the enemy to advance with artillery massed in the centre proved unsuccessful. Our artillery immediately concentrating all their batteries advanced against him and silenced the hostile artillery, turned the enemy and forced him to retreat. As darkness came on it became perceptible that the enemy had given up the contest and that he was covering his retreat with a tremendous artillery fire, which however did us little harm, and especially the battery stationed on the left side of the hill saw the enemy's shells burst high up in the air. I have to remark that towards evening General Von Steinmetz arrived and took command of the troops. Our troops bivouacked the night on the battle field, the enemy on the hills between Forbach and Kehrbach. During this severe and bloody battle orders were sent to the 13th Division, directing it via Völklingen towards Forbach, but the division only arrived at the latter place after darkness had set in, and only some skirmishing took place there with the retreating enemy.

At this time (8 o'clock in the morning) it is impossible to give anything like an accurate estimate of the enemy's losses and of our own. Continually prisoners are brought in and their number amounts now to about 500, amongst whom there are many officers. General Von Francois and Major Wichman are killed, Colonel Reuter and Major Von Jena are dangerously wounded. On both sides the loss in officers killed and wounded is tremendous and quite out of all proportion. Many companies have lost all their officers.

We don't expect that the enemy will attack us to-day, as his losses must have been very considerable. It is unnecessary to tell you of the bravery with which our troops in spite of all their fatigue entered the battle. The victories of the Crown Prince over Macmahon, Failly, and Canrobert were known to our men, and they were animated with one idea only to gain a glorious victory. They have won it, but many a comrade has disappeared from their ranks, and now lies among the corpses on the battle field.

P. S.—10 o'clock.—We now first come to see the results of this battle. The enemy is totally defeated. The 3rd Hussars have taken possession of Forbach. The whole of the baggage and the camp equipage of the 2nd Division are in our hands.

HOW GENERAL DOUAY FELL.

General Abel Douay, whose loss is much regretted, is said to have perished in the following manner:—When the battle was lost he stood upon a mound watching the last regiments of his division as they descended the hill, decimated by the enemy's fire. He had done everything which was possible to retrieve the day. He had no longer a battalion or a company to fight with. He gave orders to the officers on his staff which dispersed them in various directions, and he descended the slope alone. Arrived at the bottom, he drew a pistol from his holster, killed his charger, and sword in hand began to ascend the hill in front of him. Soldiers belonging to various regiments and various arms threw themselves in his way, and tried to stop him. "Where are you going?" they cried. "To the enemy," was the answer; and he marched on, followed by a handful of soldiers. A terrible fire flashed from the summit of the Prussian position, and here and there struck down the men electrified by the stoical calmness of their general. More soldiers arrived and again attempted to persuade their chief to retire, but he pointed with his sword to the top of the hill and continued to advance. For a time he escaped the balls which killed those marching at his side, but at last he staggered; a soldier rushed forward and caught him in his arms. General Douay was dead.—*Paris Letter of August 11 in the Pall Mall Gazette.*

"LIONS LED BY ASSES."

The following debate on the incompetence of the chiefs of the French army we translate from the report of the proceedings of the Corps Legislatif at the sitting of 11th August, published in the *Journal des Débats* of the 12th:—

M. le Comte de Kératry—It is with sadness that I submit to the approbation of the Chamber a proposition which I need not accompany with any commentary. But I consider I shall thereby fulfil an absolute duty towards those of our battalions which have succumbed on the field of battle. I propose that the commission of initiative shall deal urgently with the following proposition:—"A Parliamentary commission of enquiry shall be instituted urgently. It will call to its bar Maréchal Le Bœuf —(Interruption. Noise. "Très bien" from the Left.)

M. de Tillancourt—Wait till the end of the war. (Yes, yes.)

M. Chevandier de Valdrôme—The Maréchal Le Bœuf is on the battle-field; we must leave him there. ("Très bien," and renewed noise.)

M. Haentjens—I ask the adjournment of all propositions which require the presence here of the Minister of War. (Applause from several benches). Our first duty is to expel the Prussians. (Yes, yes, and renewed cries of approbation.)

M. de Kératry—I believe my patriotism to be as high as yours, and I fulfil here an act of devotedness. (Continuing to read his motion.) "The commission will call to its bar the Maréchal Le Bœuf—(disturbance)—and all the functionaries of the *Intendance* and of the military administration—(renewed disturbance)—as it may judge right." (Increasing disturbance.)

A large number of Members—The previous question.

A Member of the Left—The whole of France is with you.

M. Haentjens—I ask that my proposition may be put to the vote.

M. Horace de Choiseul—With the consent of M. de Kératry, I would ask to be allowed to make one observation. It is possible that M. de Kératry may be actuated by a patriotic sentiment, but I believe I interpret the sentiments of the Chamber in saying that it must adjourn anything which looks like reorimination. ("Yes, yes," "très bien," and applause from a great number of benches.) We have to take urgent measures to-day. (Yes, yes.) When the time comes to render justice to our army and to punish those who have compromised it, the Chamber will do its duty. (Yes, yes; très bien, très bien.) I would beg then the Honourable M. de Kératry to withdraw his proposition; the Chamber will allow him to bring it forward again when circumstances will permit of it. (Yes, yes; no, no; the previous question.)

M. Guyot Montpayroux—Is the Maréchal Le Bœuf at the present hour, yes or no, Major-General? His presence with the army in that quality is a scandal and a danger for the country. (Lively indications of approbation from the Left, and disturbance.)

M. le Comte de Kératry—I insist energetically upon my proposition being taken into consideration. (Renewed disturbance.) I fulfil a duty in doing so. (The previous question.) I insist, for I declare to you that if our army knows to die and to conquer with its new chiefs, as I have confidence it does, many others, who have fallen as heros, have thought at the last hour that the national representation had painful duties to perform. (Divers movements.)

M. le Général Lebreton—I ask that the Chamber formally reject the proposition which we have just heard. (Yes, yes.) I hope that the Corps Législatif will not wish to renew the scandalous examples of legislative assemblies constituting themselves judges of the merit of military operations—(opposition from the Left) —and citing to their bar general officers, to cause to flow on the scaffold the blood which has not been shed on the field of battle. (Noise.) Their judges are their chiefs, their equals, their soldiers; these know better than any others when the people in question have failed in their duty. (Yes, yes; renewed noise.)

M. Pinard—The only measures to be taken now should be such as tend to purge the enemy from the soil of the patrie. (Yes, yes.)

M. Josseau—Two propositions are before the House; the previous question, and the adjournment—that is to say, the order of the day. I am not for the previous question. (A member—Why?) Because there are facts to be cleared up and acts to be examined. But, like M. de Choiseul, I do not believe that the moment has come. At the present hour, we ought only to think of appealing to all those who have devotion to organise and carry out the defence of the country. (Yes, yes.) Let us then adjourn these questions. Let us reserve only the carrying out at a later date of an enquiry, and the judging as may be agreed at the opportune time the conduct of the chiefs and the functionaries in charge of our organisation and our military operations. I propose then the adjournment of the proposition by the adoption of the order of the day. (Yes, yes; très bien très bien.)

M. le Comte de Kératry—The Chamber will regret not having decided to-day. (The order of the day.)

M. Guyot-Montpayroux—In virtue of article 26, the proposition ought to be sent to the Commission of Initiative. (Disturbance.)

Several Members—It is not a *proposition de loi*.

Mr. Guyot-Montpayroux—It only remains then to consult the Chamber on the urgency. I renew my question to M. the Minister of War. At the present hour, is Maréchal Le Bœuf, yes or no, Major-General? (Très bien, from the Left.) If any one asks that Maréchal Le Bœuf should remain at the head of the army let him rise. (Noise.) It is a scandal that that man is not dismissed. (Agitation—Lively approbation from the Left.) Is it the case that M. the Minister will not respond? (No, no; prolonged disturbance.)

M. le Président de Talhouet—I consult the Chamber on the order of the day, which has been demanded. The first part of the business is now under consideration.

His Excellency the Maréchal Comte de Palikao, Minister of War—A sentiment——(Interruptions.)

M. le Président de Talhouet—I beg M. the Minister of War to wait till the vote is finished. We don't speak between two propositions.

The order of the day pure and simple is stated.

M. the Minister of War—But little familiar with the rules of the Chamber, I rose to say simply that a sentiment of propriety, which M. Guyot-Montpayroux will understand as well as any one——(Several voices—No, no; yes yes; prolonged disturbance.)

M. Guyot-Montpayroux—There were two points in my question. The first has been put aside by the order of the day which has just been stated; let us speak no more of it. But the second interests and preoccupies the army and the country. You can answer me, yes or no. At the present hour, is Maréchal de Bœuf still Major-General or does Maréchal Bazaine direct the army? There is my question. ("Très bien, très bien," from the Left: murmurs from the Right. A voice—"Do not answer.")

M. the Minister of War—I cannot leave the question without answer. Maréchal Bazaine is Commander-in-Chief of the army of the Rhine. (Loud applause, and a voice from the Left—"It ought to have been so stated.)

M. Thiers—I ask pardon from the Chamber for interfering in this question. I only do so with the intention of calming the emotion of all by stating precisely the question. The Minister of War has just satisfied the right of the Chamber, a right incontestible in all time, a right that it is necessary to exercise in the actual circumstances, of knowing who commands the army. (Très bien, très bien.) Yes, it is necessary that the country should know that the Chamber does its duty with vigilance, that it does not repudiate any part of its power; and the country desires that it may have much power. (Loud applause from the Left.) I have put aside the proposition of M. de Kératry for two reasons; first, it is not under the action of our present emotion that we can be just;—(très bien, très bien)—then Maréchal LeBœuf, whose person I honour but whose blindness I deplore, is no more Major-General. He is on the field of battle, and we can only keep silence for the moment. (Renewed marks of approbation.) But it must not be concluded from our attitude that we are indulgent as to the great blindness which has given us the war. People manifest a great astonishment, at once cruel and consoling for us: they are surprised at our reverses. When we were fighting against the coalition, we could afford to be beaten; the greatness of the struggle preserved the honour of the country. To-day we have to deal with only one power, and the world is astonished at our reverses. What, then, is the explanation of it? It is that France was not ready. (That is true; très bien, très bien.) Fifteen days ago, I did not say all. (Interruption.) I could not say all. But I had express proof that France was not ready. (Noise.) I have not done, in all my life, an act more patriotic than that of that day. (Applause from the Left.) No, France was not ready; and it is important that it should be known. It is the only explanation of our check. There lies the greatest of the motives for my opposition to the war. No, we were not ready; I have said so to all the Ministers, and it is for that reason that I have seen with much pain the vote for war. (Interruption.) Well, then, gentlemen, I pray you, I beseech you, that our attitude at this moment should signify only this—that we do not feel ourselves calm enough to be just, that we do not wish to force from the field a brave soldier; but that it signifies only that in our opinion France was not ready.

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TELEGRAPH LINE REPORT.

KURRACHEE, 7th Sept., 8 P.M.—Latest dates from United Kingdom via Russia, 6th Sept., 8-15 P.M.; via Turkey, 5th Sept., 10-19 A.M. From Continent of Europe, via Russia, 6th Sept., 9-40 P.M.; via Turkey, 6th Sept., 8-9 A.M.; America via Russia, 6th Sept., 10 P.M. Cable right to Fao; Turkish line right to Pera; lines beyond clear; Persian line right to London.

MORE MELBOURNE EMIGRANTS.

A BOMBAY has just received from Melbourne another gang of men similar to the one that arrived here some months ago and whose case was brought prominently before the public. These men it will be recollected came in charge of horses imported here. They stated that bright prospects of good employment in India had been held out to them, and that in high hope they agreed to come here for a small consideration. But when they began to seek for work they found none and had to put up in the Strangers' Home and become dependent on the people of this city. The man just arrived tells the same tale. About twenty of them left Melbourne, in charge of several hundred horses, in the ships Brechin Castle and Beaumaris Castle, with bright prospects as to an Indian career, but only one has succeeded in getting work. They arrived here last month, their wages, amounting we are told to about £3, are exhausted and the men are now at the authorities. Some of them are tradesmen, respectable looking fellows, but there seems little hope for them beyond that of becoming loafers—can nothing be done?

SMALL CAUSE COURT.—7TH SEPTEMBER.

(Before J. O'LEARY, Esq.)

SEWLALL ATTARAM VS. THUCKER MOWJEE KHEMJEE.

THIS suit was brought to recover Rs. 666-14-9, balance of price for twenty bales of Broach cotton sold to defendant on the 27th June 1870, at the rate of Rs. 250 per candy, as per his signature in plaintiff's book. Mr. Hormusjee appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Jehangier for the defendant. The debt was admitted and a verdict was given in plaintiff's favour for the amount and costs.

MEGA HEMA VS. KHOJA CASSUM COOVERJEE AND HUSSEE COOVERJEE.

This was an action to recover Rs. 562, being the amount of a promissory note passed by defendant to plaintiffs on 3rd February 1870. The plaintiff appeared in person; the defendants was represented by Mr. Hormusjee. The Court gave a verdict for plaintiff or the full amount and costs, payable by monthly instalments of Rs. 125.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH OFFICE.—7TH SEPT., 9 P.M.

Latest dates from United Kingdom.

Via Russia, 6th Sept., 12-16 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit 4 hours 19 minutes.

Via Red Sea, 6th Sept., 6 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 20 hours 21 minutes.

Latest dates from Continent of Europe.

Via Russia, 6th Sept., 9-43 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 4 hours 19 minutes.

Via Turkey, 6th Sept., 8-9 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 14 hours 46 minutes.

Via Red Sea, 6th Sept., 10-20 P.M., Greenwich time. Time in transit, 13 hours.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 9 P.M. of the 6th to 9 P.M. of 7th Sept., is as follows:—

To Bombay		Max.	Min.
From	Kurrachee	9 25	0 2
,,	Calcutta	12 37	0 22
,,	Madras	21 30	0 27
,,	Galle	47 2	9 45

OFFICIAL REPORT OF RAINFALL AT BOMBAY

DOWN TO 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1870.

Fall of rain from 9 A.M. Monday, 29th August, to 9 A.M. Monday, 5th September 1870.

Rain Gauge Stations.	Fall of Rain on each day of the Week. Month of Aug. & Sept. 1870. Mon. 29.	Tues. 30.	Wed. 31.	Thur. 1.	Fri. 2.	Sat. 3.	Sun. 4.	Total for the week.	Fall of rain from 1st Jan. 1870.
Phases of the Moon.									
Observatory Colaba ...	·33	·15	·22	...	...	·01	·01	0·72	54·50
Elphinstone Circle { Gauge No. 1	·09	·43	·20	·10	·25	...	...	1·07	61·92
" No. II	·10	·43	·20	·10	·23	...	...	1·06	61·89
" No. III	·10	·47	·20	·10	·27	...	...	1·14	61·73½
Fort George, R. G. H.	·24	·47	·08	·01	·10	·11	...	0·91	58·55
Esplanade, Hon. 21st Regt. N. I.	...	·40	·26	·02	·03	...	...	0·71	63·85
Byculla, J. J. H.	·62	·30	·06	...	...	...	·10	1·82	65·08

In the report from the Colaba Observatory the day is from midnight to midnight, and in that from the J. J. Hospital, from 6 A.M. one day to 6 A.M. the following day.

THEFT OF PAPER.

ON Tuesday in the Girgaum Police Court, Visram Duthoo, a Khoja coolie, and Nanjeo Tejpal, a shopkeeper, were charged with having in their possession, on the 3rd inst., 11¼ quires of foolscap paper, of the value of Rs. 4-2, the property of the G. I. P. Railway Company, which was reasonably suspected to have been stolen or fraudulently obtained.

Mr. Cleveland represented the company; Mr. Nusserwanjee for the defendant.

Mr. Samuel S. Smith stated—I am police inspector G. I. P. Railway, Bombay division. On the 2nd instant, Hurry Babajee, a police jemadar, brought to me this bundle of paper—(one out of four bundles produced in Court.) On information he gave me, I went to Mr. Souter, and got the assistance of one of the detective jemadars, and gave him and other policemen instructions as to what they were to do. This was on the morning of the 3rd. About 9 P.M. on the latter date, the two prisoners were brought to me by the detectives, and these three bundles of paper were also brought. I can state positively from the water mark G. I. P. Railway Company that this paper is the property of the Railway Company, such as they use at the present time. To my knowledge I have never known any paper of this kind to be sold by the Railway Company or to be given away. The prisoners were brought to me with the paper by the detectives. They did not account satisfactorily as to how they came by it.

Mr. Nusserwanjee for the defence contended that the water mark was no positive proof that the paper was the property of the company, or that it was stolen, and that there was no proof of theft. The prisoners were convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of ten rupees each.

THEFT OF A CURRENCY NOTE.

IN the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, Tookaram Ramjee, a hamal in the employ of Treacher and Co., Limited, was charged with dishonestly misappropriating and converting to his own use a Government currency note for Rs. 500, the property of Mr. W. C. Davis, and Jairam Canajee, a sepoy in the employ of the Alliance Spinning and Weaving Company, was charged with aiding and abetting the offence.

Mr. Wusuntrow defended the first accused.

Mr. William Charles Davis said—I am an assistant in Treacher and Company's and live at the Byculla establishment. I know the first prisoner Tookaram. He is employed in the godowns at Byculla as porter. The second prisoner is a peon in the Alliance Spinning and Weaving Company's mills. Last Monday week about 5 o'clock in the evening, Mr. McCarthy came to the shop and purchased stores of the value of Rs. 125. In payment he presented a note for Rs. 500. I took the number of the note and got him to endorse it. I afterwards took the note from the shop into the godown to superintend the packing of the goods. The note was then in my hand. I have an idea that I put the note in my pocket. I returned to the shop, and in ten minutes after missed it. I went back to the godown, told the godown keeper, Mr. Warren, of my loss, offered a reward, and asked to have the men searched. The men, including the first prisoner, were searched in my presence. They were told why they were searched. The note was not found. I at once stopped payment of it at the Banks and advertised its loss in the papers. About 8 P.M. I reported the loss to Mr. Mills. I saw the note last evening with Mr. Inspector Price. I identified it by the number and the endorsement on the reverse of the note. I did not see the second prisoner on the occasion of the loss of the note.

It appeared from further evidence that the first accused handed the note in question to an acquaintance who was passing by Treacher and Co.'s establishment, requesting him to deliver it to the second prisoner. The man did so. The second prisoner went to cash the note at the Currency Exchange Department, where payment had been stopped, and the prisoner was given in charge of the police. He pointed out the man who had given it to him, and the latter pointed out the first prisoner.

The Magistrate adjourned the case for further enquiry.

DAMAGES AGAINST THE G. I. P. RAILWAY COMPANY.

SEVERAL cases arising from the accident at the reversing station on the G. I. P. Railway in the beginning of last year have lately been disposed of by the Hon. Sir M.R. Westropp, Chief Justice. His Lordship gave judgment in the suit by Venayeck Rugonath against the G. I. P. Railway Company on the 29th August, and in doing so said—

Rugonath Narayen, chief dewan or minister of His Highness the Rajah of Dhar, was travelling in a second-class carriage, part of a train upon the defendants' railway, early on the morning of the 26th of June 1867. The train then met with an accident at that part of the line where there is a bridge over the Sookee nullah, between Bhosawul and Nimbora. The dewan was by that accident so much injured, that he died upon the 28th of the same month. The evidence contained in the reports of the accident made by the defendants' own officers was so strong, that the learned counsel for the defendants, at an early stage of the trial, admitted that they could not deny negligence on the part of their clients. They also admitted that the dewan was a passenger in the train, and that his death was occasioned by the accident. These admissions confined the case to the 4th and 5th issues. The fourth issue is—Whether the plaintiff is entitled to recover any damages for his own benefit in respect of the grievances alleged in the plaint, and if so, how much? The 5th issue is—Whether the plaintiff is entitled to recover any damages on behalf of the widow and daughter of Rugonath Narayen in respect of the grievances in the plaint mentioned, and if so, how much?

The deceased dewan, Rugonath Narayen, had a son who predeceased him by only eight days. The deceased left, surviving him, a widow named Jankeebaee, aged about 36 years at the time of her husband's death, and four daughters; three of whom were married before his death—the fourth, named Mathra or Mathoora, is about 5 or 6 years of age and still unmarried. Jankeebaee has, since her husband's death, adopted the plaintiff as son of the deceased. There is not any evidence of express authority having been given to her by her husband to adopt a son, but on the other hand there is not any evidence of his having refused to adopt, or of his having enjoined her not to adopt, and accordingly, under the Hindu law prevailing in the Deccan to which he belonged, his sanction of the adoption will be implied.—Rakhmabai *vs* Radhabai (5 Bom. H. C. Rep. 181.) The adoption being valid, and no probate or letters of administration or certificate of heirship having been granted in respect of the estate of the deceased, the plaintiff, as his adopted son, is his legal representative, and as such is, under section I. of Act XIII. of 1855, entitled to maintain this action on behalf of the parties upon whom that Act confers the right to damages from the defendants, as having by their neglect and default, in not having properly constructed their bridge, caused the death of the dewan. His widow and unmarried daughter are clearly within the Act as persons entitled to damages proportioned to the loss resulting from his death to them respectively. It is unnecessary for me to decide, and I therefore wholly abstain from giving any opinion, whether a son, adopted in the life-time of the deceased person, in respect of whose death the action is brought under the Act, would be entitled to damages, but I think that the word "child" (which under the glossarial clause [section 4,] is defined as including the "son and daughter, and grandson and grand-daughter, and step-son and step-daughter," of the deceased) must be limited to mean one who is the child of the deceased, at the time of his death, and herein might perhaps be included a child of which the widow was then enciente, but not a son adopted after the death of the deceased by her. The word "child" is in the English stat. 9 and 10 Vic., c. 93, defined in the same way as in Act XIII. of 1855, and has been held to mean a legitimate child. Accordingly where the mother of a woman, who was killed, brought, as administratrix, an action on behalf of herself and her deceased daughter's illegitimate child, damages were given to the plaintiff on her own account only, and none for the illegitimate child.—Dickinson *vs.* The North Eastern Railway Company, (33 L. J. Exch. 91.) As the plaintiff in this suit has been lawfully adopted by the widow, and therefore cannot be regarded by Hindu law as illegitimate, that case applies to the present one no further than as showing that the Court of Exchequer, in construing the word "child" was not disposed to give any further extension to the legal meaning of that word than the statute itself in its glossarial clause had already given to it beyond its ordinary signification in law. The action had no existence at Common Law—it is the creature of legislation, and the Act ought not to be interpreted, so as to impose upon parties who may be sued under it, any wider or greater liability than is distinctly within the particular reason for which it was passed. Act XIII. of 1855 is intituled "An Act to provide compensation to families for loss occasioned by the death of a person caused by actionable wrong." Before the passing of the Act, "actionable wrong" meant any such wrongful act, neglect, or default as would, if death had not ensued, have entitled the party injured to maintain an action and recover damages in respect thereof. *Actio personalis moritur cum persona* was then the rule. But this Act continued the right of action to his "executor, administrator, or representative for the benefit of the wife, husband, parent and child, if any, of the person whose death shall have been so caused," and the damages to be given shall be such as the Court "may think proportioned to the loss resulting from such death to the parties respectively, for whom and for whose benefit such action shall be brought." The plaintiff was the dewan's first cousin, once removed, and lived, it has been said, in his house at Dhar, but at the time of the occurrence of the accident or of the dewan's death had not been adopted, and could not then, either by the law of nature, or the Hindu law, be considered to have been his child. Furthermore the plaintiff was then seventeen years of age, *i. e.*, one year more than the Hindu law deems full age. Even assuming that the adoption relates back to the death of the deceased, the injury supposed to have been suffered by him in virtue of the retrospective operation of the adoption, was one to which he was voluntarily subjected by himself and his parents by giving him in adoption. They then knew of the death of the dewan, and, nevertheless, assented to the adoption by the widow, which was to make the plaintiff the son of one whose death had been caused by the negligence of the defendants. In that view the case would seem to be one for the application of the maxim *Volenti non fit injuria*. So far, however, from any loss resulting to the plaintiff by the death of the dewan the plaintiff has been considerably benefited by it, inasmuch as that event was the reason for the plaintiff's adoption, by which he has acquired a right to succeed to the property of the deceased, who it has been deposed had an inam village in the Dhar territory and other property. It is vehemently probable that the plaintiff would never have been adopted if the deceased had lived, as he was only 40 years of age when he met with the accident, and may fairly have expected to have sons born to him. Under such circumstances were any damages recoverable by the plaintiff, they could only be nominal damages. But I see no reason of supposing that the Indian Legislature intended to confer upon the widow of a deceased Hindu the power of imposing upon persons sued under the Act a greater liability than existed at the death of her husband. That Legislature has not shown itself unmindful of the necessity of making in the Act a provision especially suitable to India, not to be found in the English stat. 9 and 10 Vic., c. 93, by introducing the word "representative" after the words "executor and administrator." So many cases might occur in India, in which there would be neither executors or administrators, to render such an addition indispensable. A later English statute (28 and 29 Vic., c. 95) has made a somewhat similar provision for England. The Indian Legislature being thus alive to the especial circumstances of Indian society, and having carefully enumerated in the glossary to the Act, persons as coming within the scope of the word "child" as used in the Act, persons who cannot be regarded as within the ordinary legal meaning of that word, I should have expected to find the case of a posthumously adopted son specially mentioned in the Act, if it were intended that he should be included. The fourth issue must, for these reasons, be formed in the negative and in favour of the defendants.

The next question is as to the amount of damages which should be awarded to the plaintiff, not on his own behalf, but on that of the widow and daughter of the dewan. The dewan's father, Narroo Jugonath Goomay, stated that the dewan was thirty-eight years of age at the time of his death; but this old man was not a very accurate witness, and it is safer to assume that the dewan was of the age of forty years, which is that named in the plaint. He had formerly been in the British service as a carkoon at Ratnagari in the Collector's department at Rs. 75 to Rs. 100 per mensem and had been educated at the High School of Bombay. Three or four years ago, having left the British service, he became dewan to H. H. the Raja of Dhar at Rs. 250 per mensem as salary with a further allowance of Rs. 6 per month as a Brahmin writer, as Wishwanath Narayen, a person attached to his suite, deposed. The dewan's father spoke also of Rs. 131 per month being allowed to the deceased as wages for (26) twenty-six attendants. These were not mentioned by the Brahmin, and I understand them to have been persons allotted to him as assistants in his office of dewan, and not as personal attendants. I therefore do not reckon their wages as forming any personal allowance to the deceased, or as increasing his dignity. Rs. 256 per mensem equal Rs. 3,072 per annum. Mr. Slater, an insurance company's agent, has been examined to prove that the price of an annuity of Rs. 3,100, on the life of a Hindu aged 38, would be Rs. 40,259-11-10, *i. e.* allowing him about 22 years to live. But that evidence is inapplicable to such a case as the present. The deceased was liable at any moment to dismissal from the office of dewan, which he held neither for life, nor *quamdiu se bene gesserit*, but *quamdiu principi bene placeat*. It is therefore impossible to regard his annual income of Rs. 3,072 as dewan in the light of an annuity for life or for any given number of years. However, looking at his education, his appointment at the time of his death, the probability if he had lived and lost that appointment, of his getting another; the position in society enjoyed by his widow and daughter while he held his office of dewan, and lost to them by his death; and looking also at his age, which I take to have been forty, and the ages of his wife and unmarried daughter, which were then thirty-six and six years respectively, I think that Rs. 10,000 will be a fair sum at which to assess the damages payable to them—whereof Rs. 7,000 must be allotted to the widow and Rs. 3,000 to the daughter.

It appears that the plaintiff appointed Krishnajee Shideshwar as his mooktear to bring this suit—and to do other business. A copy of the mooktearnama, or power of attorney, has been annexed to the plaint. It contained no power to delegate his authority. However, though the omission was mentioned by counsel, no issue or objection was raised on that point or on the sufficiency of the next power of attorney which I shall mention. Had any difficulty been made on these matters, I should have adjourned the case in order to give the plaintiff an opportunity of setting them right by filing new powers, there really not being any doubt that this action was brought with the concurrence of the deceased dewan's family. Krishnajee Shideshwar is married to one of the deceased dewan's daughters. Krishnajee Shideshwar appointed one Narayen Balkrishna alias Raojee Bajikur (a pleader in the Judge's Court at Tanna) as his mooktear or agent to bring this suit. He was examined as a witness in this suit and produced the power of attorney, which was in the form of an agreement between Krishnajee Shideshwar and him, Krishnajee thereby appointing Narayen Balkrishna, attorney, to sue, and agreeing that the latter should have a moiety of whatsoever should be recovered. However, there was a tacit understanding between them that Narayen Balkrishna should only get one-third of what was to be recovered, and that the residue of the moiety should be pocketed by Krishnajee—a very comfortable arrangement no doubt for these two gentlemen, but neither of the two powers of attorney was signed by the widow of the deceased, nor by his unmarried daughter, and even if the latter had signed, she, being an infant, would not have been bound by it. The plaintiff, I have held, had a right to sue in his representative capacity (and to constitute an attorney or agent for that purpose), but his right to sue was in that representative character only, and not for his own benefit, and therefore, being merely a trustee, had no power to make or to authorise his agent or attorney Krishnajee to make any arrangement as to the mode in which the monies recovered, or any part of them, should be allotted. Act XIII. of 1855 assigns that duty to the Court, and it will take care that the moneys reach the hands of the beneficial owners, and will not entrust them to the safe keeping of a boy of seventeen, such as the plaintiff, and still less to his agents. These latter will not be involved in any loss of importance, as the decree will contain a direction that the defendants, the company, shall pay the plaintiff's costs as between solicitor and client. Any other claims which either Narayen Balkrishna or Krishnajee Shideshwar in respect of either of the powers of attorney may have against each other or against the plaintiff, they must settle amongst themselves. I am not, however, to be understood as inviting any of those three gentlemen to indulge in further litigation. It will be desirable that Dr. Dallas, the attorney for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Cleveland and Peile, the solicitors for the defendants, should place themselves in communication with the Resident or other chief British authority at Dhar in order to ascertain what will be the safest mode of transmitting to Jankeebaee, the widow, her share of the damages, Rs. 7,000. As to Rs. 3,000, the share of Mathra or Mathoora, the infant daughter of the deceased, it is the bounden duty of the Court, as representing Her Majesty as *parem patriæ*, to secure it for that infant, by directing it to be paid over to the official trustee, Bombay, to be invested in Government paper and held in trust by him for her. The annual income and dividends to be paid to her mother Jankeebaee for the maintenance, education, and clothing of the infant, and Rs. 1,000, part of the principal, to be paid to the said Jankeebaee, on the marriage of the infant, for her marriage expenses, and the balance Rs. 2,000 to be paid to the said infant, Mathra or Mathoora, on her attaining her full age according to law.

The father of the deceased spoke of his being the owner of valuable jewels and ornaments which were made away with on his death, but there is not any count in the plaint under the concluding provision in section 2 of Act XIII. of 1855 (which is not to be found in the English Statute) in respect of those jewels and ornaments, and even if there were, the evidence as to them is vague, and altogether such as to tend to show that the loss (if any) was too remote a consequence of the death of the dewan to fall within that enactment.

PASSENGERS FOR EUROPE.

THE following passengers sailed from Madras by the P. & O. steamer Simla on the 2nd inst.:—

From Madras to Southampton.—Mrs. Cooke, Messrs. P. Mahony, and H. M. Lechler, Mr. and Mrs. O'Grady and three infants, Miss Morgan, Mr. Zaidee Fischer, 3 Misses Fischer and an ayah, Miss M. M. Crowther, Captain Garnault, Mr. and Mrs. Strickland, child and infant.

THE ALLAHABAD "PANIC."

IT was scarcely to be expected that the small fry of the Press should have abstained from sensational paragraphs about the late uneasiness in this station. Amidst the stupendous military enigmas which the telegraph has lately been flashing down on public pages, it must have been a congenial relief to the feebler provincial journals to find themselves amidst the more intelligible excitement of old ladies threatened by their chowkeedars, khansamahs sharpening the carving knifes the durzee assuming a seditious deportment, faithless sepoys, railway guards with their blunderbusses, railway bridges bristling with cannon, &c., &c.

Knowing then the temperament and temptations of these weakly children of the fourth estate, (who are not much to blame after all, *for God hath made them so*, as Dr. Watts has happily remarked,) the public will not have attached undue value to certain announcements in consideration of the quarters in which they appeared.

But when the *Englishman* gives a space to these fictions in its columns, we must reasonably suppose that his information was founded on correspondence which he believed reliable. With a view, therefore, to enabling him to turn round on these unworthy news-mongers, we assure him, in all honesty, that he he has been deceived about the anticipated attack on the Central Jail, as well as about the guns on the Jumna Bridge. The English language is quite precise enough to admit of facts being recorded in it without ambiguity, and we declare to him and the public that no guns have ever been placed on the Jumna bridge, and that no attack on the jail was ever threatened or expected.—*Pioneer*, Sept. 5.

INDIAN ITEMS.

THE cattle brought to the Lahore slaughter-houses were lately discovered by the Cattle Commissioners to be largely infected with some terrible thing called cyst, which is understood to develop into something like Guinea or tape worm. This must be an unpleasant subject for a discussion at a dinner table.—*Indian Public Opinion*, Sept. 2.

THE *Darjeeling News*, in its issue of the 27th ultimo, tells a curious story of a butcher in Darjeeling, whose fingers are gradually rotting away with leprosy. One public-spirited man considered him a public nuisance, and brought the case before the Deputy Commissioner. He referred it to the Civil Surgeon, and the result was that no action was taken. The *Darjeeling News* suggests that if the man were removed from the station it would only be continuing the nuisance, and that the cheapest way would be to hang him at once.

ON Friday last a crowded meeting of the Benares Institute was held for the purpose of publicly recording their sorrow at the death of their late president, and of deciding upon some means of commemorating his many virtues. It was proposed by His Highness the Maharajah of Vizianagram, and seconded by the Magistrate of Benares, that a marble statue of the late Rajah Sir Deo Narain Singh should be erected in the Town Hall, which is about to be built in Benares. For this object it was proposed to form a committee for the collection of subscriptions, His Highness the Maharajah of Vizianagram promising to head the subscription list with Rs. 1,000.—*Pioneer*.

IT is somewhat remarkable that no notice has been taken of the fact that the Marseilles route for letters must be closed. No intimation has been given of this by the Postal authorities, who must surely be aware of it. There is little doubt that for a very large number of letters the higher Marseilles postage has been paid, although all must go via Southampton. Why is this? Not even passengers can now come through France from England by this route. In the same way the Brindisi and Trieste routes must also be closed. If we are wrong, we shall be glad to be put right; but if right, it shows the greatest laxity on the part of the India Postal authorities not to intimate these facts as widely as possible, and not leave people to judge for themselves and *pay the extra postage*.—*Indian Public Opinion*, Sept. 2.

A WARNING TO WET-NURSES.—It is known to be a common practice for native women desirous of being entertained as wet-nurses for European children, to borrow infants about the age required and show them as their own—whereas their own may be dead or twice as old as the one produced. Such conduct however is punishable under the 417th section of the Penal Code, as would appear from the case decided here by Mr. Fisher on Thursday last. A woman named Soomaree undertook to procure a wet-nurse, with a child about five months old, for a European infant about the same age, and accordingly a woman appeared with a fine healthy child about six months old which both women declared to belong to the wet-nurse seeking the engagement. She was taken on, but the European infant gradually fell off and seldom ceased crying. It was then evident that the woman was not competent to perform the duty she had undertaken; and it also came out that the child she had shown was not her own, and that her own was about two years old. Soomarees, who called herself a *Chowdryne* of *Dhaees* was sentenced to six months' imprisonment, and the other woman to one month.—*Pioneer*, Sept. 6.

THE LATE RAJAH SIR DEO NARAIN SING.

RAJAH SIR DEO NARAIN SING is dead. Such was the intelligence that shocked and saddened the residents of Benares on the evening of the 28th ultimo. A short, though imperfect, sketch of one, who was so lately one of the best representatives of the native community, may interest the public and prove welcome to his many friends. The great grandson of the famous Oussan Sing,—the staunch friend of Warren Hastings and the enemy of Rajah Cheyte Sing,—the late Sir Deo Narain Sing was by inheritance, as well as by inclination, the firm friend of the British. Oussan Sing, in 1781, saved Warren Hastings and all his followers from total destruction; and in 1857 Sir Deo Narain Sing proved worthy of his ancestor. Before this eventful year, however, he had already shown himself to be a loyal subject. In 1852, on the occasion of a serious riot in Benares—when the magistrate was assaulted and the shops were closed for three days—Sir Deo Narain Sing came forward, and, through his influence and energy, quiet was restored. It was in 1857, however, that he shone the brightest. In that year, writes one who knew him and his family well, "Sir Deo Narain Sing devoted his whole property, his time, energy, and would have devoted his life itself, had it been called for, to the service of the Government." When the danger was most imminent, and the local authorities were most in want of the support and countenance of a native gentleman of his position and influence, he abandoned his own house in the city of Benares and took up his quarters in that occupied by Mr. Gubbins, the Commissioner, in order to be able at all times and on all occasions to give that officer every aid and counsel in his power. Had Benares gone, our communications with Calcutta would have been completely interrupted, and perhaps the lives of all the Europeans in the North-Western Provinces have been sacrificed. That this did not occur was mainly owing to Mr. Gubbins; but all his exertions would have proved unvailing had he not been unflinchingly and zealously supported by the nobleman of whom we write. Rajah Sir Deo Narain Sing was shortly afterwards appointed a Member of Council by Lord Canning, a post which he continued to occupy during the Viceroyalty of Lord Elgin. By both of those Viceroys he was valued as a colleague and warmly esteemed as a friend. After his retirement from Council he resided principally at Benares, where, in all matters, he "proved himself an active and influential citizen, eager and willing to aid to the utmost of his power in any measure for the improvement of the city or its inhabitants." As President of the Benares Institute, he will ever be warmly remembered and mourned by its members, to whom his loss is irreparable. Amongst those who have ever striven to bridge the gulf which unfortunately will exists in India between the governors and the governed, he occupied a foremost place. Few native gentlemen have laboured so heartily and with such sincere pleasure towards this high object as did Rajah Sir Deo Narain Sing. His English friends mourn him as one whom they could ill afford to lose, and the native community of Benares mourn him as one of their most respected and beloved Chiefs.—*Pioneer*.

SHIKAR IN PERSIA.

AT the head of the *Fera Naturæ* stand the lion, a maneless variety, in the south, and the royal tiger, in the Caspian provinces. I have also heard of its occurring in Kurdistan, but this is doubtful. Leopards and panthers also occur on the Elboorz Range, and the ounce *(Felis Uncia)* is also found, not very frequently however. Black bears are also common in some places.

Any one killing a wolf is entitled to take one sheep out of each flock that he may meet on that day, a kind of direct and very fair taxation.

The foxes are found useful in destroying various small vermin injurious to the crops, and their destruction has been from time to time prohibited.

Large tracts are in different places set apart as "Kor ouk," or game preserves for the Shah. Perhaps, the most difficult *shikar* is that of the wild ass, which is principally found in the Great Saet Desert of Khorassan. It is generally thus managed: relays of horsemen are posted on the line that it is intended to drive the asinine gentry, at distances of two or three miles apart, who keep their horses at full speed, pressing the asses until they are tired out. Dogs are of little or no use in this sport, as the Persian greyhound is smaller, and not nearly so fast as the English, though perhaps more robustly built in proportion. The Kurdish greyhound is slower still, with feathered ears and tail, but is a hardier dog, and I have known them go easily over stony ground, when my other greyhounds, consisting of English, Persian, and English cross-bred, and Persian and Arab cross-bred were completely knocked up and lamed by the stones.

I have had very good fun riding down a wolf with the greyhounds, and spearing him when brought to bay; the dogs would roll lupus over, but seemed afraid to go in for a regular good worry at him.

The mildest *shikar*, I think, that I ever saw is quail hawking. A Persian swell of the period goes to a clover field, with sundry curs of the turnspit breed, called in Persian Toolees; these flush the quail, a sparrow hawk is then flown at them and the wretched quail is generally struck within twenty yards, the whole pastime being nearly as exciting as a cockroach hunt in the back kitchen would be.

The only chance that one ever has in coursing antelope, is when the snow is on the ground, their sharp feet stick in the snow and impede their progress. They are also captured in another way: hawks are flown which are trained to attack the head and eyes, so bewildering the poor animal that time is given for the Greyhounds to come up and secure them.

A similar plan is pursued with regard to hares: the hawk will seize the hare with one claw, and a tuft of grass with the other. The hawk has a pair of leather breeches put on to prevent his being strained by the efforts of the hare to escape.

The greatest fun to my mind was, when the snow is on the ground, going out coursing anything that turned up. One did get such jolly croppers in the snow, not being able to see the holes. I got twelve rolls in one day, and one of my grooms eleven, and the others who were out, a proportionally fair share of spills. Luckily one falls soft in snow, and the principal disagreement was, now and then going through the superincumbent layer of snow and the ice it concealed into a pool of water—rather a disagreeable species of hydropathic treatment.

One day a week we used to have a grand meet of the "Teheran Union Hounds," which was the dignified title we applied to what in India would be called a "Bobbery Pack," and very good fun we used to have. We took it in turn to give the "Hunt Dinner," in the evening, and about the only drawback was the necessity for getting back to Teheran before the gates were closed at dusk. The Russians and Germans went out with us occasionally, but not often, and when one of our Gallic allies turned out we were safe for fun of some kind. One rising diplomatist, now in China, turned out with one of those gigantic horns round his body that the Imperial Piqueurs at Fontainebleau use. The same Nimrod's get-up for snipe shooting was as follows: jockey cap, green velvet coat, white trousers and patent leather boots. Considerable regret was expressed that he had not also brought the horn aforesaid to sound pœans over the fallen snipe, but as he, after a frightful expenditure of ammunition, only bagged one quail, it was perhaps as well that he left it at home.

The country around Teheran is sterile and stony in the extreme, the only vegetation being where the ground is watered by small water-courses brought from the hills in subterraneous aqueducts called "kanats," which are driven, many of them for very long distances, until they tap the hidden springs. These kanats are externally marked in the upper parts of their course by lines of mounds some fifty yards or less apart, having a very curious appearance. On closer inspection, these mounds will be found to be composed of a species of small crater with a shaft in the centre descending into the kanat up which the excavated soil has been hoisted, and deposited around the shaft thus forming the mound.

No small amount of industry and considerable Engineering skill have been expended on many of these kanats which, having no connection with D. P. W. of any kind, are durable, some I dare say as old as King Darius himself.

Very fair sport may be had with the blue pigeons inhabiting these kanats: throw a stone down the shaft, and be ready, for you are almost certain of a right and left, as the pigeons fly up.

Where the kanats change into open-water courses the snipe are found lying scattered by twos and threes; and it is only by working down these streams that one can get anything like a bag. Near Teheran five or six brace of snipe with a heavy duck or a teal or two, would be a fair day's bag. By going to marshes at some twenty miles distance, much larger bags may be made, say fifteen to twenty brace.

Near Tehran itself there are not half a dozen marshes in all, and one, perhaps the very largest, for what reason I am sure I cannot say, for it was a very likely looking place, never by any chance held a snipe; lapwings were its solitary occupants.

The double, or solitary snipe affords some sport in August, and in winter there is a fair sprinkling of woodcock, generally found amongst the vineyards, where the hares also lie, more particularly when the snow is on the ground.

The ducks are found in large numbers, but they take such precious good care to keep out of gunshot of cover that it is not often one gets a chance at them, waiting for them at twilight is one's best chance.—*Indian Public Opinion*.

A CONTRAST.

ON Saturday last (August 27) Mr. T. Newton, barrister-at-law, was sentenced by the High Court, Allahabad, to be "suspended from practice until further orders of the Court, with liberty to apply for permission to resume his practice after the expiration of five years, upon production of certificates of good character and conduct during the interval." This sentence was for unprofessional conduct in advising a client to administer to an estate over which she had no control.

Contrast with this sentence the following *morceau* of justice from Poona. A *vakeel* practising in the Judge's Court at Poona was recently sentenced to *two years' imprisonment* for appropriating Rs. 900, which he was commissioned to give to another man. The man died and the *vakeel* put this money in his own pocket.

The other *vakeels* petitioned for mercy and the sentence was reduced from two years *to fifteen days!*—*Indian Public Opinion*.

GLASS VENETIANS.

AMONG many useful inventions which have been brought to the notice of the public lately, perhaps there is not one which is calculated to conduce more to their comfort than the glass venetians, for which Mr. Skinner has taken out a patent.

Their superiority over the old-fashioned shutter of that name in shown in two ways. When closed, instead of completely darkening the room, they admit a fine subdued light, and they can be partially opened, and securely fastened, at four different angles.

The wooden venetians were constantly requiring repairs in order to effect these properly, the door or window shutter had to be taken to pieces. But in the new sort of venetians this is quite unnecessary. If a leaf of the glass gets broken, it can be pulled out of its frame, and another substituted. The glass venetian has been adopted by the Government of Ceylon, and fixed in the Council Chamber at Colombo, where it is said to be a great success.

The railway station at Venice has been entirely covered in with this kind of glass, and the experiment has turned out most satisfactory. The station in the heat of summer is one of the coolest and most pleasant buildings in the place, owing chiefly to the subdued light.—*Indian Public Opinion*, Sept. 2.

REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF SIND FOR 1869-70.

THE report of Sir W. L. Merewether, K.C.S.I. and C.B., Commissioner in Sind, to the Bombay Government of his administration of that province for 1869-70, is before us, and from it we gather that the "Unhappy Valley" suffered during the year 1869, unusually, from calamities of various descriptions. We are informed that countless myriads of locusts caused immense destruction to the standing crops nearly all over the province, and this disaster was greatly aggravated by the prevalence of epidemic cholera and malarious fevers, causing great mortality among all classes. In Lower Sind, where the disease chiefly prevailed, the type of cholera was peculiarly fatal, collapse supervening almost immediately after attack. The conduct of the medical officers, and the several medical subordinates in charge of dispensaries is said to have been most zealous and commendable. Owing to the intense heat that prevailed during the time of the epidemic the arduous nature of their duties was greatly increased. The Commissioner has brought the names of the most deserving to the notice of the Bombay Government, and we trust that they will meet with their reward in due season. Soon after the subsidence of the cholera scourge, malarious fever of an unusually severe form became general throughout the province. This is attributed to the extraordinary heavy rain-fall, which was more than four times the average amount recorded during the preceding thirteen years. The 21st Fusiliers at Kurrachee suffered considerably and for a long time from fever, and it was deemed necessary to accelerate the departure of the regiment to Bangalore, owing to the utter state of prostration into which the greater part of the regiment had fallen. Besides the above mentioned diseases, small-pox also prevailed during the first five months of the year, and the number of deaths recorded from this disease amounted to 471. In addition to these inflictions we are told that, owing to the existence of a widespread famine in Rajpootana, several thousands of fugitives from Marwar took up their abode in the Thurr and Parkur District, and distributed themselves all over the chief towns. Their state was very wretched, the majority of them had no clothing, and many were suffering from starvation. Some thousands died while moving from place to place. The number of these persons maintained entirely at Government expense was 19,800, and the expenditure on this account amounted to about Rs. 20,000. In addition to this a sum of Rs. 50,000 was granted for affording employment to such as were in a condition to work. Turning to other sections of the report, we observe that the part referring to the judicial administration is very meagre, and chiefly made up of statistics which are of no general interest. There were thirty-one cases of murder in Sind in 1869, against thirty-seven cases in 1868. Twelve convicts were executed and ten transported for life, against twenty-three executed and three transported in 1868, from which it would appear that the hangman's business in Sind is falling off. There were one hundred and fifty more cases of cattle-stealing in 1869 than in the previous year. This is attributed to scarceness of food, which caused many people to steal and slaughter cattle to save themselves from starvation. The number of persons brought to trial in 1869 was 17,609. Of these, 7,784 were convicted and 9,825 acquitted. The Commissioner remarks that a comparison of these numbers is unfavourable to the police, and we quite agree with him. This report does not deal with the result of the Police administration during the year. We are informed that the reports of the District Superintendents have been sent in original to Government, with copies of letters reviewing the working of the police in each district separately. We are of opinion that these police re

NOTES FROM ROME.

ROME, AUGUST 5.

THE day before yesterday the French evacuated Viterbo. Up to yesterday morning, however, the transports for their conveyance to France, in company with the other remaining troops, had not arrived at Civita Vecchia. Cardinal Bonaparte has just had a long interview with Cardinal Antonelli, and is said to have told him that the Emperor would not withdraw the whole of the troops. Cardinal Bonaparte was invited by the Emperor to the head-quarters of the French army, but on the recall of the corps of evacuation he informed his Majesty that he could not leave the Pope in his present distress. He wrote to the same effect to the Empress, adding a prayer that God would not forsake France as France had forsaken the Holy Father. These letters, which the Pope talks of to everybody, may have induced the Emperor to offer to leave a guard of honour, but I by no means vouch for the fact. Before leaving Rome, General Dumont told Cardinal Antonelli that the Emperor had exacted from the Italian Government guarantees for the protection of the Pope, when Cardinal Antonelli replied, "There are three persons who don't believe in these guarantees: the Emperor, yourself, and I." Eight Italian ironclads, under the command of Rear-Admiral the Marquis del Carrotto, are ordered to cruise before Civita Vecchia as soon as the French have embarked. The Pontifical Government is anxiously looking also for the arrival of the English fleet at that port.

On the evening of the 30th the Pope summoned an extraordinary council of Cardinals to consider the position of the Holy See. No less than a hundred members of the Sacred College responded to the call and the Pope himself presided over their deliberations. Cardinals Antonelli, Di Pietro, and Sacconi, no doubt with the sanction of the Pope, recommended an understanding with Italy as a measure of necessity; but this course was vehemently opposed by Cardinals Patrizi and Mertel. The authorities are paralyzed with terror, and they are doing their best to terrorize the population. The Urband Guard is called out—the same force which, during the October panic, fired at the windows of peaceable shopkeepers—and the police are constantly making domiciliary visits. It is said that a mine is laid under the Vatican, and that Rome is full of strange faces; but, though I am in the streets at all hours, I meet only the ordinary population; and, as to the Vatican, the mine, if it exists, has not been discovered. Nevertheless, the calmness of the people seems to indicate a consciousness of strength, and it may be that it is this which alarms the Government. The Pope is very angry with the French, and it is affirmed that he charged Baron d'Arnim, on his departure for Berlin, to request permission from the King of Prussia for the Pontifical German dragoons to bear the Prussian flag as a menace to Italy. A day or two ago the populace at Palestrina hoisted the Italian flag in the middle of the town, and seditious cries were uttered at Civita Vecchia. I hear there is shortly to be a great demonstration in favour of Italy at Rome, in the Piazza Colonna, but the Liberal party generally seems disposed to wait on events.—*Pall Mall Gazette*, Aug. 12.

THE MITRAILLEUR AT SHOEBURYNESS.

THE experiments which were commenced yesterday (August 11) at Shoeburyness with the Mitrailleur possess a high interest at the present moment. It is not often that the quiet, dispassionate inquiries of the practice ground are carried on contemporaneously with the ruder trials of actual warfare. But in this case, while the French are measuring, with less mathematical scientific precision perhaps, but with a rough and ghastly accuracy, the value of the new weapon, we in England are calmly counting hits upon wooden targets, comparing at our leisure round with round, and informing ourselves as to the potential value of this new instrument of war. No one who was present at Shoeburyness yesterday can have failed to have been impressed with the almost painfully sharp contrast between the conditions under which the mitrailleur was being tried there, and those under which the trial was proceeding, perhaps at that very hour, on the French frontier. The ultimate practical question is, will the two verdicts agree? As yet the Shoeburyness trials have not proceeded far enough to enable any confident conclusions to be drawn from them, unless it be a confirmation of the opinion more than once expressed in these columns, that for certain positions, and under certain conditions, these weapons would have a high value. As to the exact place of the mitrailleur in war we have not yet learnt much, and it is doubtful whether the Shoeburyness experiments will ever sufficiently inform us on this point. For this information we shall have to turn to the experience of the French and Prussians; and it is well to recognize that the success or failure of a particular mitrailleur is a question quite independent of that of its actual military value. Before breech-loading small arms were introduced into this country a committee was required to state whether it would be desirable to introduce a breech-loading rifle—abstractly, and without reference to any particular pattern of arm. That committee decided that it would be desirable to adopt this class of arm in preference to muzzle-loaders; and straightway the mechanical gunmaking ingenuity of England and of half Europe was directed to the production of an efficient breech-loader and at this moment our difficulty lies rather in the selection of the best arm than in the choice of a good one. We are suffering rather from an *embarras de richesses* than from a dearth of good arms. So with regard to the mitrailleur: we have little doubt that if the Montigny mitrailleur be really the best arm of the class yet invented, it is destined to be greatly improved upon if once the word goes forth that England requires such an instrument of warfare. The weapon itself, which has already been more than once described in these pages, and the ammunition which is used with it, have evidently many defects of constructive detail. Once turn on mechanical ingenuity to the production of a mitrailleur, and you will get in a short time, we doubt not, a weapon superior to the Montigny, as is the Martini-Henry rifle to the needle-gun. And this is exactly the point at which the question has now arrived. Yesterday's experiments at Shoeburyness clearly showed that if England is to have a mitrailleur at all she cannot adopt the Montigny *as it stands*. Already, indeed, several alterations have had to be made in the arm, and the ammunition which was employed was exceedingly defective. The bases of the cartridges became detached in extracting, greatly interfering with the practice; the mouths of the cartridges became rucked up on entering the chamber, causing a sensible reduction in the rapidity of fire; the powder had a suspiciously damp-looked appearance which also argued well for uniformity; and difficulties of a serious character were experienced with the strikers. One or two bad jams occurred which, in trials for accuracy and rapidity combined, necessarily militated seriously against the weapon. These defects can, we do not doubt, be remedied; it is only fair to strike them as far as we can out of consideration. Notwithstanding these disadvantages, the mitrailleur may be said to have acquitted itself well. The programme consisted of rapid firing with the mitrailleur, the new Indian muzzle-loading field-gun firing shrapnel and segments, and the 12-pounder breech-loading Armstrong gun firing shrapnel, segment and case. Each weapon was allowed two minutes at ranges of 800, 600, and 300 yards, the practice being against a line of thirty 9-foot targets, on the face of which were drawn in chalk rude representations of cavalry and infantry soldiers. It is hardly necessary to observe that practice at such short ranges is all in favour of the mitrailleur and against the guns. What the guns could do with shrapnel and segment at 800 yards they could do quite as well at double the distance. But at 1,600 yards the mitrailleur would be probably wholly ineffective. The result, on the whole, was not unfavourable to the mitrailleur. On some occasions it got the better of the guns—that is to say, it in some cases placed more men *hors de combat* in two minutes than the guns. The maximum effects were, however, we believe, obtained with the guns firing shrapnel and case, the performance of the muzzle-loader being, both as regards rapidity and effect, superior to those of the breech-loader.

The principal results were as follows:—The highest rate of fire obtained with the Montigny was 6 discharges of 37 shots each in two minutes—222 rounds—a rate of fire less than half that with which the piece has been credited, and from which some further deduction must be made for cartridges which struck or failed to go off. With the guns, as many as 8 rounds of shrapnel and 10 rounds of case were got off in the allotted time—a rate of fire which, combined with accuracy leaves little to be desired.

It would be premature to attempt to draw any definite conclusions from yesterday's trials; they are being continued to-day, and will probably extend into next week or the week after. The mitrailleur will be tried against columns, and at ranges in excess of 800 yards, when the guns may be expected to assert a decided superiority. It will also be tried against Snider and Martini-Henry rifles. We reserve until the conclusion, of the experiments such remarks as yesterday's experiments, and the subject generally, suggest.—*Pall Mall Gazette*, Aug. 12.

THE POPE A HERETIC.—Luther burnt a certain Papal bull, Père Hyacinthe protested that he would be none of the "dumb dogs," but Professor Michaelis, amid the din and turmoil of war, lifts up his voice in an "open accusation against Pope Pius IX." for which, rather ignominiously, he has been thrown into a prison in the German papers among the advertisements. It is rather a curiously worded indictment: "I, a sinful man, but firm in the holy Catholic faith, herewith before the face of God's Church openly and loudly accuse Pope Pius IX. as a heretic and destroyer of the Church." That is the beginning. The substance of the accusation is, of course, the Infallibility, which is "not founded on tradition," but "directly contradicts the constitution of the Church instituted by Christ and bequeathed from Peter "has been the only medium of Absolution into the Church." His object in publicly to gainsay the Pope, the Professor concludes, is founded upon the canonical sentence whereby, according to Innocent III., every Pope "who is a heretic is subject to the judgment of the Church if he strives to ruin this same Church.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

MARAVILLA COCOA.—For Breakfast.—The *Globe* says:—"Various importers and manufacturers have attempted to attain a reputation for their prepared Cocoas, but we doubt whether any thorough success had been achieved until Messrs. Taylor Brothers discovered the extraordinary qualities of 'Maravilla' Cocoa. Adapting their perfect system of preparation to this finest of all species of the Theobroma, they have produced an article which superseded every other Cocoa in the market. Entire solubility, a delicate aroma, and a rare concentration of the purest elements of nutrition, distinguish the Maravilla Cocoa above all others. For Homœopaths and invalids we could not recommend a more agreeable or valuable beverage." Sold in packets only by all Grocers, of whom also may be had Taylor Brothers' Original Homœopathic Cocoa and Soluble Chocolate Steam Mills—Brick Lane, London.

SCIENCE AND ART.—A striking instance of the immense value a small piece of steel may acquire by the great power of skilled mechanical labour is found in the balance-spring of a watch. From its extreme fineness and delicacy 4,000 weigh not more than one ounce, and exceed in value £1,000. A most interesting little work, describing the rise and progress of watchmaking, has been published by J. W. Benson, 25, Old Bond Street, and the City Steam Factory, 98 and 60, Ludgate Hill. The book, which is profusely illustrated, gives a full description of the various kinds of watches and clocks, with their prices. Mr. Benson (who holds the appointment to the Prince of Wales) has also published a pamphlet on Artistic Gold Jewellery, illustrated with the most beautiful designs of Bracelets, Brooches, Earrings, Lockets, &c., &c., suitable for Wedding, Birthday, and other presents. These pamphlets are sent post free for two stamps each, and they cannot be too strongly recommended to those contemplating a purchase, especially to residents in the country or abroad, who are thus enabled to select exactly what they may require, and have it forwarded with perfect safety.

GRANT THE NOVELIST IN A DIVORCE CASE.

WALKER vs. WALKER.

THIRD DAY.

THIS case was resumed on Thursday morning, July 14, in the Justiciary Court-room (Edinburgh.)

Mrs. Helen M'Gregor or Blair—I was in service at Carlton Lodge for a year before last Martinmas. I knew Mr. James Grant. The Grants first visited the Walkers in March last, when there was a large party. Mrs. Grant never visited after that, but Mr. Grant called about ten days afterwards, and took lunch. His two boys were with him. He called again one evening near Martinmas. Mrs. Walker used to speak about Mr. Grant. She asked me what I thought of his appearance. She said he was not at all good looking, but he was a kind creature. When he called on the evening referred to, he did not stay more than a quarter of an hour. I have frequently noticed Grant passing and repassing the house in the course of the autumn, and looking up at the window. His conduct became a subject of remark between me and my fellow-servants. We thought there was something between him and Mrs. Walker. Various circumstances occurred to excite our suspicion. One morning she came into the kitchen and asked for a large leaf with a twisted stem which we had found in the letter-box. We took it to be a sign of some kind. When she was confined to bed, she used to rise at a certain hour and look out at the window; and she would cry a good deal after Mr. Grant passed. Our attention was also attracted by her sitting at the window of the drawing-room in the cold weather. Once I saw her hoist her scarlet shawl at the window, and I took it to be a signal. I generally took the letters out of the letter box in the morning; and, if she did not meet me on the staircase (which she did very often towards the end of my service), I delivered them all into her hands. It was at her request I did so. Towards Martinmas she seemed to expect one every morning, and was disappointed if she did not get it. Once I noticed the seal broken on it three crowns and the letters "J. G." Mrs. Walker spoke a good deal about Mr. Grant, but I can't remember particularly what she said.

Mr. Lancaster—She disparaged his appearance, and praised his moral qualities. (Laughter.)

Witness—She often went out at night saying she was going to the Waltons. She generally returned about half-past nine; but when Mr. Walker was in Glasgow, for a month before Martinmas, she remained out till very late, and frequently did not return till after we were in bed. When she returned, I used to be struck with the extraordinarily muddy state of her boots, which looked as if she had walked further than to Mr. Walton's house. After the incident of the twisted bay leaf, we took everything we found in the letter-box to Mrs. Walker. On the evening when Mr. Archibald took her away in the cab, on the ground that she wanted to look after a servant, Mrs. Walker was very lame, and had to be helped into the carriage. There was no servant in the neighbourhood she could inquire about. She did not return till between twelve and one o'clock. She frequently wore a large covering cloak when she went out at night. When Mr. Walker and Mr. Fraser were writing in the evening, she always went out by the kitchen door. I recollect Bella Cowan, the other servant, being sent to the *Scotsman* Office one night in October last, when Mr. Walker was in Glasgow. Mrs. Walker had a locket which she always wore concealed by her clothes, and kept under her pillow at night. I have tried to open it, but never could succeed. When Mr. Walker was away from home, it was not so carefully concealed. She generally wore a scarlet shawl when driving out. On the 8th October, Mrs. Walker and Bella Cowan, the coachman, and me to the theatre, and paid our expenses. That evening, Mrs. Walker had a tea-dinner, and afterwards she went upstairs and put on a black thin gauzy dress. I called for her at Mrs. Walton's on my way home, between twelve and one, and found her there. Next morning I went through the rooms to see that they were tidy. On opening the door of the best bed-room—before Mrs. Walker, who occupied another room, had risen—I noticed that the bed was all out of order. A quantity of clothes which had been lying on it the previous night had been removed, and the bed showed evident traces that people had been lying on it.

Cross-examined—We left for the theatre at half-past six. An appointmeat had been made that we should call at the Waltons for her as we returned. She complained that we had been late.

Did you say to Cowan that morning that you would go over the house for the purpose of seeing whether there were any traces?—Yes. We found none in the parlour, dining-room, or drawing-room.

You had made up your mind that Mr. Grant had been in the house, and therefore went about looking for traces of him?—I had not made up my mind, but I suspected he had been there. That was what induced me to go through the rooms. The articles that had been lying on the bed were such as were in daily use. There were no sheets on the bed, but two quilts, which were very much disturbed. Mrs. Walker's bed-room looked out in the same direction as the cold drawing-room of which I spoke in my examination-in-chief.

Isabella Cowan, lately servant at Carlton Lodge, examined by Mr. Fraser, deponed—I knew Mr. James Grant. He called at the house several times last year. I have seen him walking about before the house—passing and repassing, and looking up to the windows. I have also noticed Mrs. Walker looking out of the window towards the road. On the last October Fair Day, Mr. Walker was away from home. Several times that evening Mrs. Walker sent me to the letter-box for letters. She said she thought she heard a footstep outside the door that night, and the dog barked. She sent me a message to Mrs. Walton's, and was particular that I should take the dog with me. That same evening she asked me if I knew Mr. Grant who lived in Danube Street. She seemed anxious to speak about him. Helen M'Gregor, the coachman, and I, went to the theatre one night. It was Mrs. Walker who proposed we should go, and she paid for us. Next morning Helen came for me, and I went to the house. The bed had the appearance as if persons had been lying on it, and was not in the tidy condition in which it was the previous night.

What induced you to look at the bed-room?—Helen came to me and said, "Come upstairs and see where the pantomime has been last night." (Laughter.) Mrs. Walker was out mostly every night. She sent me thrice to the *Scotsman* Office with sealed notes. When the man in the office had opened the letter and read it, he looked at me very suspiciously, and laughed. When I told Mrs. Walker about this, she held up her hands and said something to the effect that she hoped the man had not read it to me. I said he had not. This excited my suspicions, and I looked at the *Scotsman* next day. There were a number of advertisements, one beginning —"Come to me boldly." I have known her go out in the evenings, although she was ill, and we were often in bed before she returned. I have noticed that her boots were very muddy after she had been out in the evening.

William Walton, examined by Mr. Fraser—I reside at Murray Bank House, Murrayfield. I know Mr. and Mrs. Walker. My house is not far from Carlton Lodge. There was a party at Carlton Lodge in March 1869. Mr. and Mrs. James Grant were present. Mrs. Walker frequently called at my house in the evening, staying from nine o'clock till half-past eleven or even half-past twelve. She did not come so frequently before the party as she did afterwards. When Mr. Walker was away from home, she remained out later. I used sometimes to convoy her back when he was at home, and sometimes she went without a convoy when he was absent. One Sunday evening, as Mrs. Walton and I were going to tea at Mrs. Walker's, Mrs. Walton noticed a lady and gentleman against a wall in a lane between my house and Carlton Lodge. The dress was that of Mrs. Walker, but the gentleman was concealed from my view. They were perfectly silent. When we reached Carlton Lodge, Mrs. Walker was not at home. The servants were under the impression that she was in the house. When Mrs. Walker returned, she did not say where she had been. She had on the same dress as the lady I saw in the lane. Mrs. Walker very frequently came to our house on the Sunday night, and Mrs. Walton latterly objected to this, as her constant visits had become a nuisance. The name of Mr. James Grant was never out of her mouth—she called him "my dear Jamie"—and led us to understand that she loved him very much. She has said that when she was married to "dear Jamie," we were to visit her at Carlton Lodge. I have heard her say she would be content with thirty shillings a week with the man she loved—(laughter)—and I inferred that she alluded to Mr. Grant. I was present at the Prince of Wales's assembly in 1869. Grant and Mrs. Walker were there. He danced very much with her. In February, Mr. Walker came to me with certain advertisements, and I recognised them as being in the handwriting of Mrs. Walker. On the 8th February, 1870, Mr. Fraser came to my house with a letter from Mrs. Walker, addressed to Mr. Grant. He read it aloud, and in it she stated that she had destroyed the letters, and had admitted nothing. He was to telegraph to Mrs. Smith at Falkirk. I think there was a phrase in it—"I have denied everything, and admitted nothing." A very often remonstrated with Mrs. Walker as to her goings-on with Grant, but she just pooh-poohed what I said. I suppose she thought she would not be discovered. She has told us that if she were free, she would marry James Grant.

John Thomson, gardener, Coltbridge Mills, deponed—As I was going home from Edinburgh about eleven o'clock one night after the New-Year, I saw a cab stop between the toll-bar and the railway bridge on the Glasgow road. A lady and gentleman got out of the cab and went westward. The lady was Mrs. Walker, whom I know by sight. The gentleman wore light tweed clothes, and was not Mr. Walker. (Shown Mr. Grant's photograph.) I could not identify that as being the man. About a week after that, late at night, I passed Carlton Lodge, and saw the same lady and gentleman standing outside of the small side-gate. I identified the gentleman by the clothes. Thinks I to myself—I'll see what thee twa's about now." I went round by a market garden, and climbed up into an apple-tree opposite them. (Laughter.) Just as I got up the two kissed each other. He went away east, and she went in, shutting the door very cautiously after her. I followed the gentleman along the road. (Shown another photograph of Mr. Grant.) That is very like the gentleman I saw.

The Court adjourned at five o'clock.

FOURTH DAY JULY, 15.

Charlotte Barclay or Murray, examined by Mr. Fraser, deponed—I am the wife of James Murray, gardener at Carlton Lodge. We live at the gate of the Lodge, and came there on the 12th November 1869. On the Tuesday following after we had come, I heard a whistle, which seemed to come from the private gate. It was sounded three times—louder each time. It appeared to be a whistle from a dog whistle. I was alarmed, as I was alone in the lodge. I saw a gentleman going into the gate. He went up the walk with a lady, and they went into the front door of the house, which was locked. The lady was Mrs. Walker. There were no servants there that night. The gentleman got into the gate with a key. Mrs. Walker told me frequently that he had got a key of his own. I heard the door locked. It was not usual for Mrs. Walker to lock the door except the last thing at night, but this was at seven o'clock. There was only one servant in the house at that time, and she was sent to Edinburgh that night with a letter. When she came back, she sat with me in the lodge till near eleven o'clock. The servant had not been long gone to Edinburgh before I heard the whistle. Her name was Eliza Hossack. She came to the house on the 11th and left on the 16th, and there was no servant between the last date and the 21st, when Mary Cornwall came. When the man came that night I heard his voice. I don't know when he left. Mrs. Walker called in at the lodge between eight and nine o'clock, and left the key of the kitchen to give to the servant. She then left the grounds by the side gate. I offered to open the large gate, but she would not go out that way. I saw a man going out with her at the side door. I heard their voices. I don't know whether Mrs. Walker returned to her house that night or not. I went to bed at eleven o'clock; and she had not returned to the house between ten and eleven, for we went up to the house. Mrs. Walker could have got into the house that night by the front door if she had the keys. I am quite sure the gentleman was not Mr. Walker. I asked Eliza Hossack if she had met Mrs. Walker and a gentleman on the road, and she said, Yes. On the Thursday after Mary Cornwall came she was sent out for oysters. About ten minutes after she left Mrs. Walker came out of the front door, and coming down the terrace walk, met a gentleman in the centre. I did not hear anything like a kiss. They went into the house, and the outer door, which had not been previously shut, was now shut and locked. I did not see the man, but I heard his voice. It was the same voice as I had previously heard. One of the spars of the parlour window blind was open, but what time it was darkened I cannot say. I went up to the kitchen door with a servant that night and knocked several times, but no one came. We then went to the front door and rang the bell, and Mrs. Walker opened it, and the servant went in for about five minutes. I do not know whether Mrs. Walker went out that night. On the second Sunday after I came to Carlton Lodge, Mrs. Walker and a gentleman came to the gate at two o'clock. I opened the gate to let in Mrs. Walker. The gentlemen said, "You'll not be long," and she said she would not. She asked me where the coachman was, and I told her not. After seeing Mrs. Walker, the coachman came to me. He had some letters, which he afterwards took to the General Post Office in Edinburgh. There was then no one about the premises but me. After the coachman left, I saw Mrs. Walker at the front door; but before that I saw the same gentleman who had been with Mrs. Walker come into the grounds by the side gate. He must have got in by using a key. The gentleman went up to the house. There was no servant in the house at the time. (Shown carte de visite.) That is a likeness of the gentleman. He is Mr. James Grant. Mrs. Walker afterwards told me that he was Mr. Grant, the great novelist and author. (Laughter.) She spoke in very tender and affectionate terms of Mr. Grant. She never told me he had got a whistle. On the Sunday in question I saw him at the bow window of the drawing room. Mr. Walker was not at home that day. I don't know when Mr. Grant left that day, nor whether he was there all night or not. I remember a Sunday when the Walkers were dining with the Waltons. That would be, I think, in the end of December. Mrs. Walker came back, and said she had come for some papers belonging to Mr. Walker. She went out again; and I do not know when she returned, or whether her husband was with her when she came back. When Mrs. Aberdeen was a servant at Carlton Lodge she was often sent to Edinburgh with letters. I have noticed that, after she left, the blinds were so drawn as to obscure the light. This excited my suspicions; and I told my friend I thought some persons were in the house with Mrs. Walker. I saw Mrs. Walker and Mr. Grant go out by the lodge gate on 20th January 1870. Mr. Grant had been in the house from one till four o'clock. On another occasion shortly after that I again heard the whistle. I do not remember the exact date. I recollect of Mr. Roy and Mr. Marshall calling one day when Mr. Grant was in the house. I saw him leave the house by the conservatory door a few minutes after those gentlemen went in. That way of leaving the house was a very roundabout way of getting out. I remember posting a letter to the *Scotsman*, which was given me by Mrs. Walker. On another occasion, I remember being asked by her to get a letter for the same paper posted by giving it to a 'bus driver. (Laughter.) I recollect of my husband, the coachman, and myself looking through a chink in the lodge-door on one occasion, and seeing Mrs. Walker and Mr. Grant. They were down at the side-gate, leaning against the wall. One of the cards which was found in the letter-box had the words printed on it "Mrs. Macdonald, Hawthornden," and below these were written in pencil the words "twenty minutes past two." Mr. Grant did not usually stay till four o'clock—on the day when he remained till that hour a Mrs. Russell was there. During Mr. Walker's absence in Aberdeen in January, Mr. Grant was frequently at the Lodge each week, and generally stayed from about one till three. Mrs. Walker had a locked which she wore underneath her dress, and of which she was very careful. I could never see what was inside it, though I was anxious to find out. (Laughter.) The other servants were curious also. (Laughter.)

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